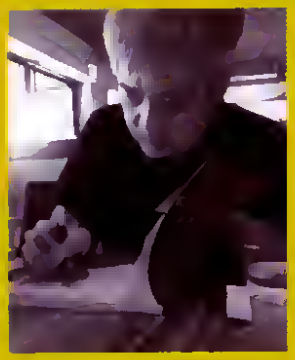

THE LAST VOLUME, ALL QUESTIONS WILL HAVE ANSWERS!

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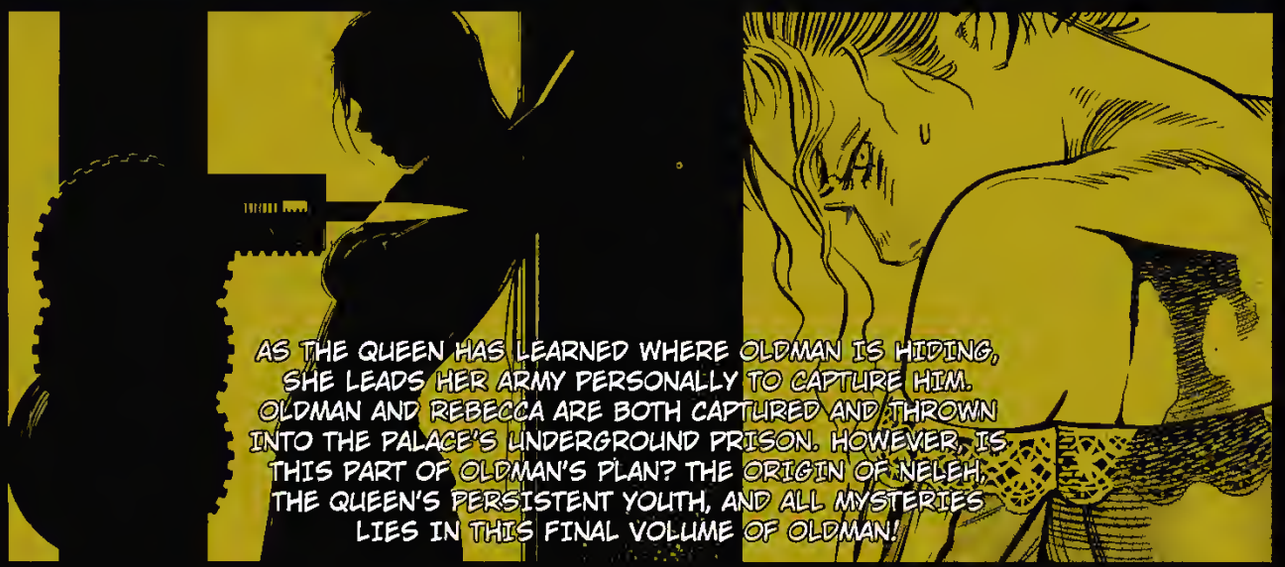
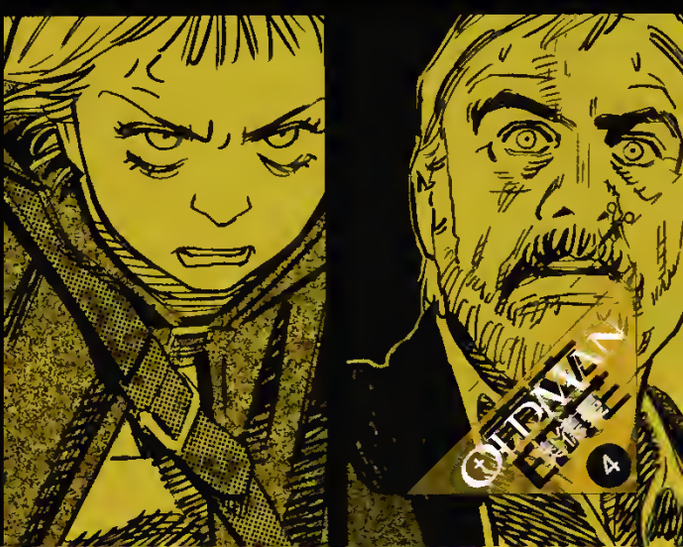

AS THE QUEEN HAS LEARNED WHERE OLDMAN IS HIDING, SHE LEADS HER ARMY PERSONALLY TO CAPTURE HIM. OLDMAN AND REBECCA ARE BOTH CAPTURED AND THROWN INTO THE PALACE'S UNDERGROUND PRISON. HOWEVER, IS THIS PART OF OLDMAN'S PLAN? THE ORIGIN OF NELEH, THE QUEEN'S PERSISTENT YOUTH, AND ALL MYSTERIES LIES IN THIS FINAL VOLUME OF OLDMAN!



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THE GENIUS MAGICIAN
BILLY OLDMAN
WAS TAKEN IN BY THE QUEEN AS A CHILD. WHEN THE QUEEN WAS SICK SHE MANIPULATED HIS MAGIC AND TOOK THREE DECADES OF HIS LIFE AWAY.

THE WAR GODDESS
REBECCA
HER HANDS AND FEET WERE AMPUTATED AND [illegible] PALACE'S PRISON, SHE ESCAPED FROM THE PRISON WITH AND INTENDS TO TAKE HER REVENGE ON THE ROYAL FAMILY.

THE PROSECTOR
VINCENT
A MAN OF ART AND SCIENCE, HE HAS A FASCINATION WITH THE HUMAN BODY.

THE GIRL OF PROPHECIES
NELEH
AN ENIGMATIC GIRL WHO FALLS ASLEEP IN THE MIDDLE OF A CONVERSATION, SHE SEEMS TO KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT THE FUTURE.

THE CRUEL QUEEN
HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN HAS THE POWER OF ETERNAL YOUTH. SHE THINKS MAGIC IS A LIE.

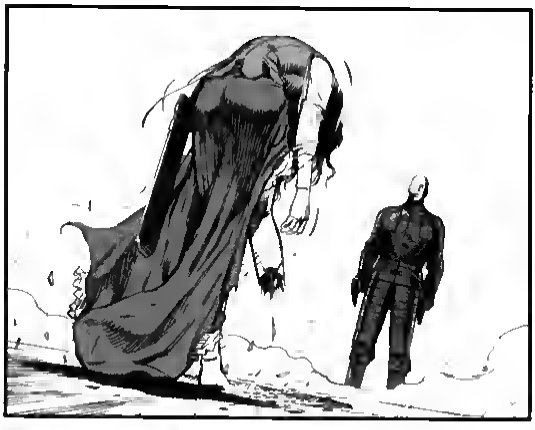
HEAD OF THE MILITARY
HAMMER (DEAD)
HE IS THE HEAD OF THE MILITARY, HE IS ALSO QUITE THE MAGIC ENTHUSIAST. HE DIED AT THE HANDS OF REBECCA DURING THEIR DUEL.

AN EARLS DAUGHTER
HELEN
WAS TAUGHT IN ARCHERY SINCE A YOUNG AGE. GREW UP WITH OLDMAN AND OWEN IN THE PALACE. OLDMAN WAS HER CHILDHOOD SWEETHEART.

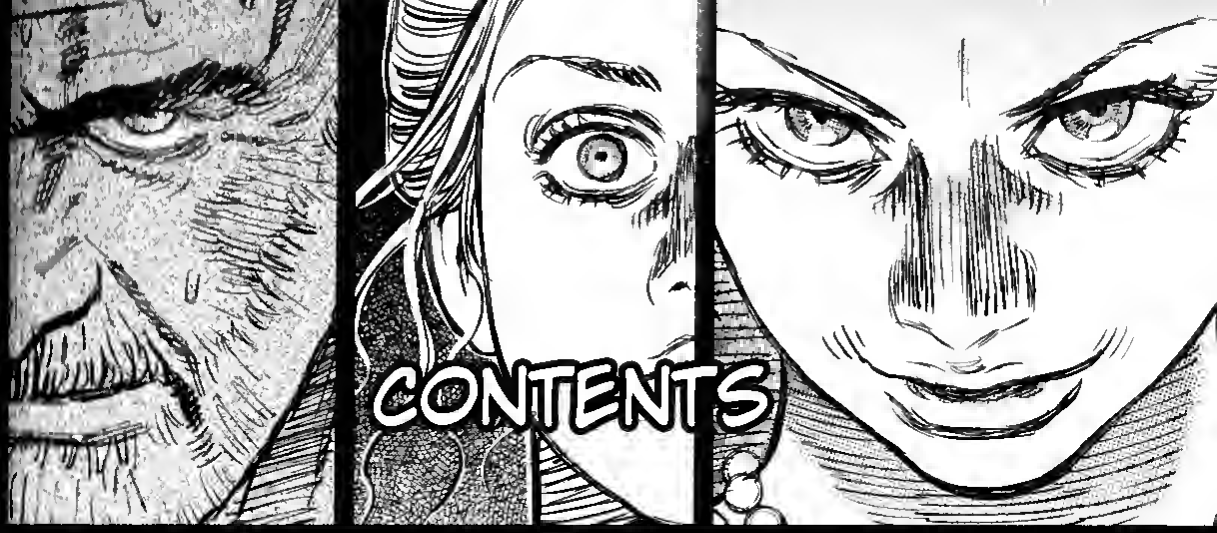
STREET BULLY
OWEN
LIVED IN AN ORPHANAGE TOGETHER WITH OLDMAN, BOTH OF THEM WERE ADOPTED BY THE QUEEN CHOSEN TO BECOME THE ROYAL SUCCESSOR.

前情提要 Previously On OLDMAN

IN THE EARLY SEVENTEENTH CENTURY, THE LAND WAS RULED BY A QUEEN, CHILDLESS, SHE OPTED TO ADOPT ORPHANS TO PROVE TO THAT NATION THAT ANYONE COULD INHERIT THE THRONE. HOWEVER, AFTER MANY YEARS, THE OLD QUEEN SUDDENLY BECAME YOUNG AGAIN. NO ONE KNOWS THE OLD QUEEN'S SECRET. EXCEPT FOR A MAN NAMED OLDMAN WHO WAS IMPRISONED IN THE PALACE'S PRISON. OLDMAN USED HIS MAGIC TRICKS TO ESCAPE FROM THIS PRISON. HE ALSO TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE A FORMER REBEL LEADER WHO HAD HER LEGS AND ARMS CHOPPED OFF, HE LATER SOUGHT OUT VINCENT THE PROSECTOR, A MAN CAPABLE OF BUILDING REBECCA NEW ARMS AND LEGS.



LATER, A MYSTERIOUS GIRL CALLED NELEH JOINED THEM ON THEIR JOURNEY. HOWEVER, THE QUEEN LEARNED THAT OLDMAN AND REBECCA WAS STILL ALIVE, SHE SENT HAMMER AND HIS MEN TO TAKE THEM OUT, HE WAS DEFEATED TWICE BY OLDMAN. FINALLY, HAMMER CHALLENGED REBECCA TO A DEATH MATCH ON THE STONE BRIDGE WHERE HE WAS DEFEATED. AFTERWARDS, OWEN WENT TO THE QUEEN AND TOLD HER WHERE OLDMAN WAS HIDING. WHAT IS HE PLANNING...?



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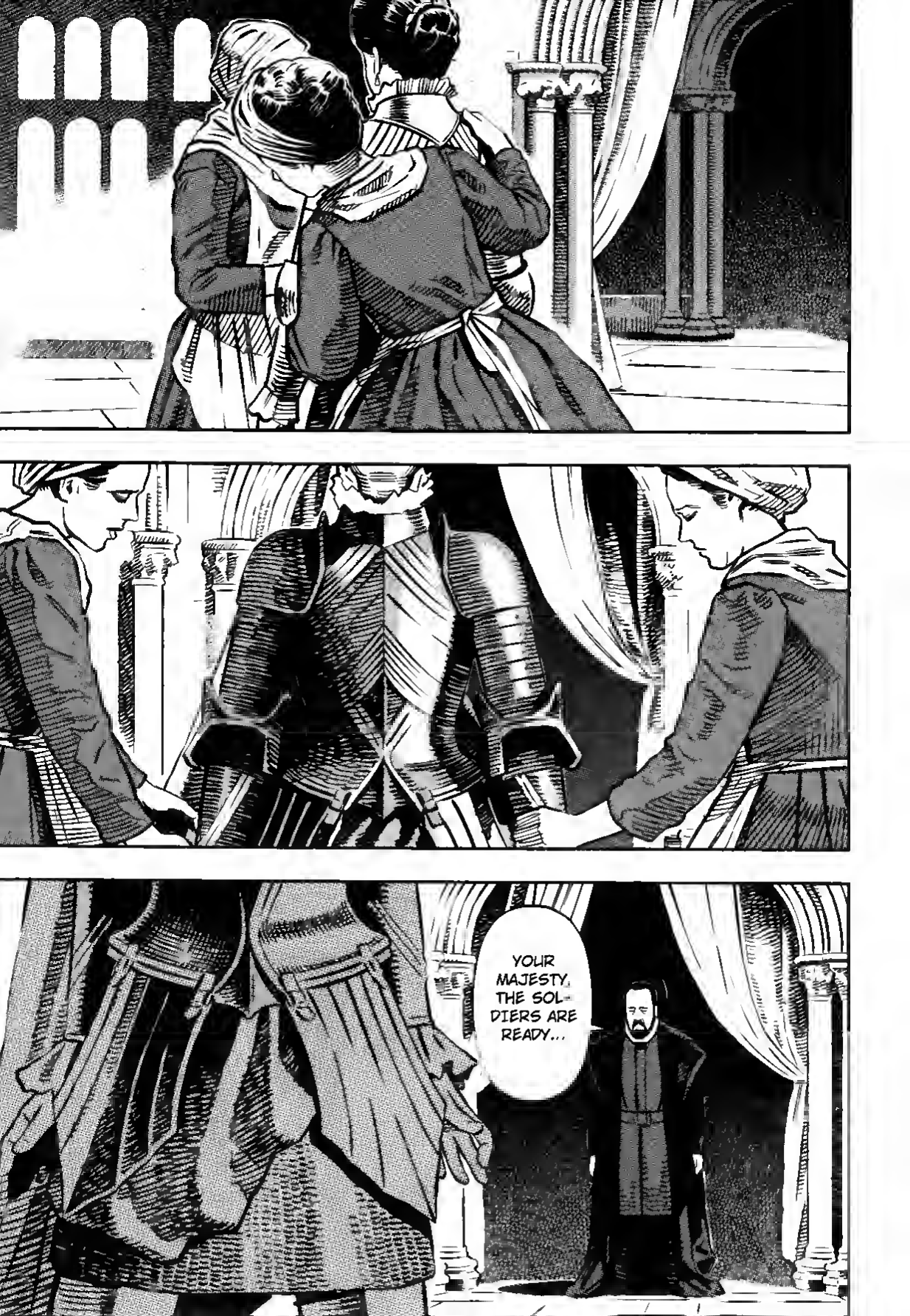
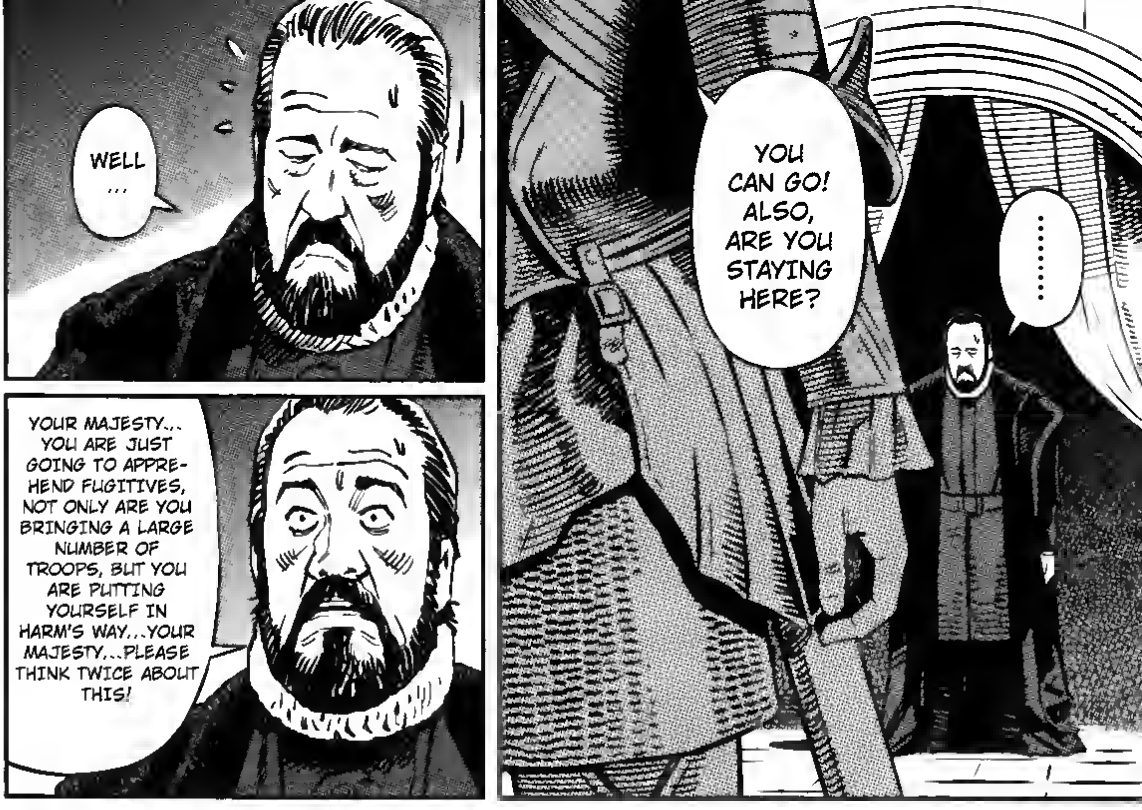

YOUR MAJESTY, THE SOL-DIERS ARE READY...


WELL ...
YOU CAN GO! ALSO, ARE YOU STAYING HERE?
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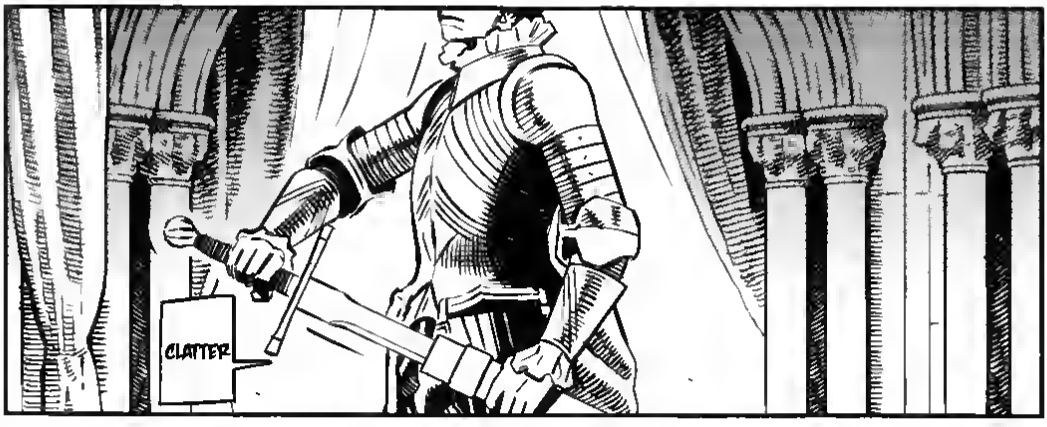
YOUR MAJESTY... YOU ARE JUST GOING TO APPREHEND FUGITIVES, NOT ONLY ARE YOU BRINGING A LARGE NUMBER OF TROOPS, BUT YOU ARE PUTTING YOURSELF IN HARM'S WAY...YOUR MAJESTY...PLEASE THINK TWICE ABOUT THIS!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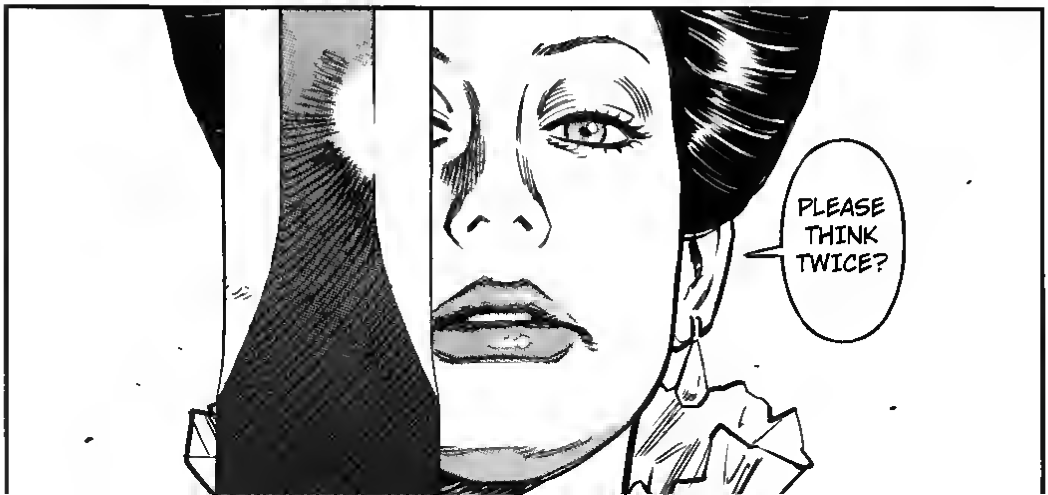
PLEASE THINK TWICE?

ISN'T THIS WHAT YOU SHOULD BE SAYING, WHY IS OLDMAN STILL ALIVE, SHOULDN'T HE BE DEAD?
ISN'T HE A MERE FUGITIVE? WHY IS THE QUEEN SO HELL BENT ON SUBDUING OLDMAN?
HE'S A PETTY OLDMAN WITH SOME TRICKS UP HIS SLEEVE. PLUS HE'S GOT A FORMER REBEL LEADER WHO HAD HER ARMS AND LEGS REMOVED. HE WAS ABLE TO LEAVE THE DUNGEON, AND EVEN HAMMER AND HIS TROOPS WERE DEFEATED BY THEM!
THEIR MERE PRESENCE IS A SERIOUS THREAT TO MY THRONE!

..A DEC-
LARATION
OF WAR..

DON'T
YOU
GET
IT?

THEY HAVE
MORE OR
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DECLARATION
OF WAR!

THIS
IS
WAR!

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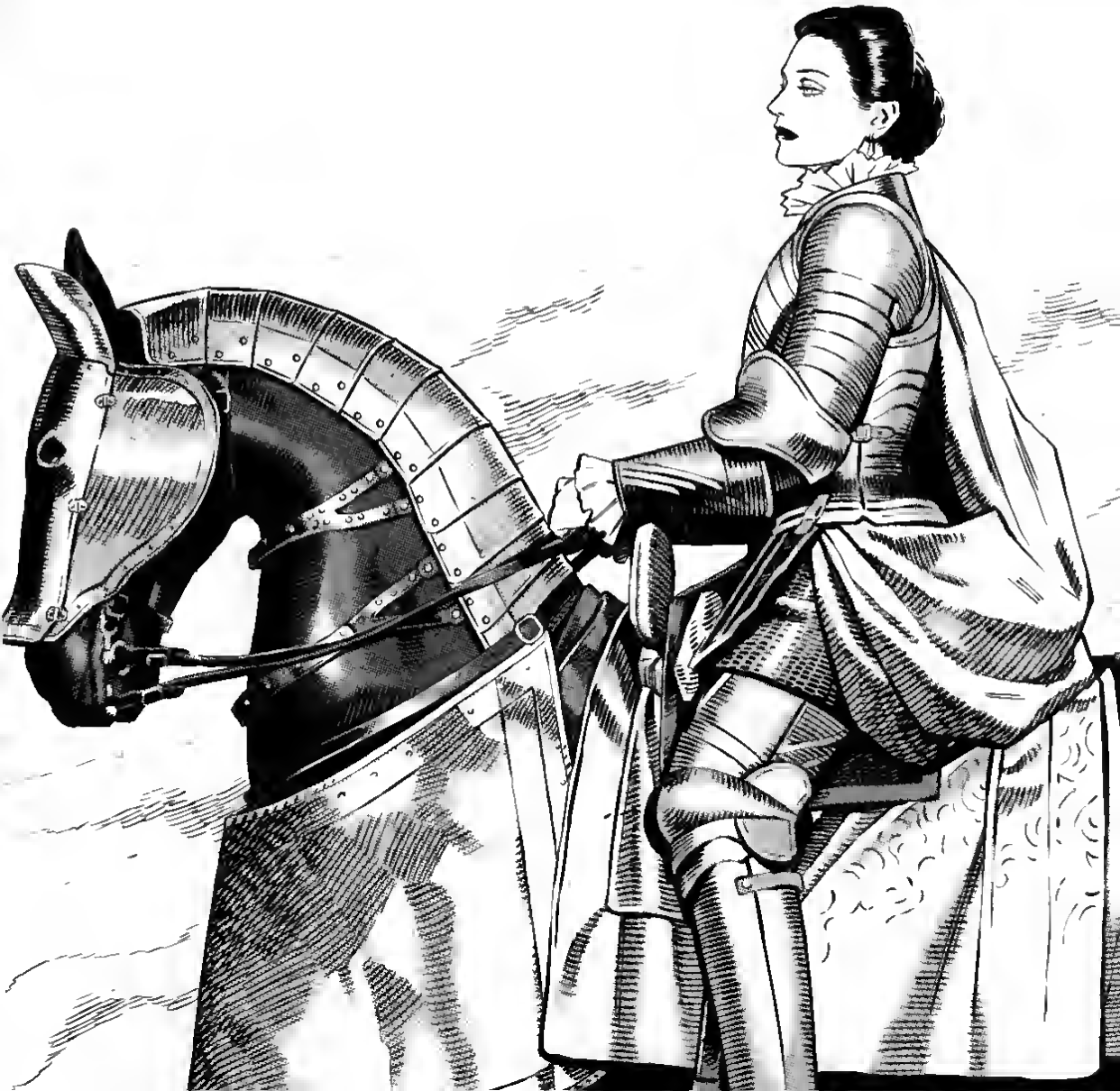
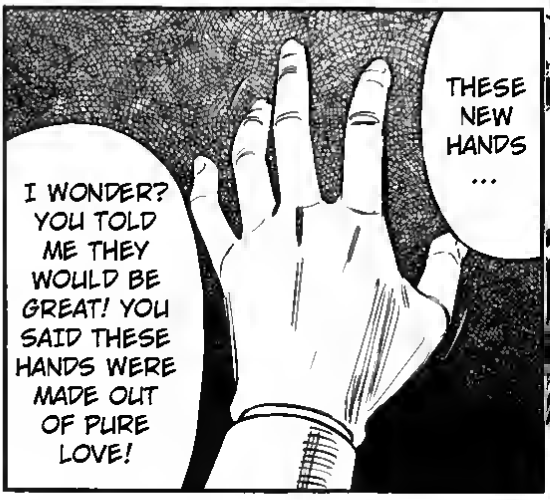
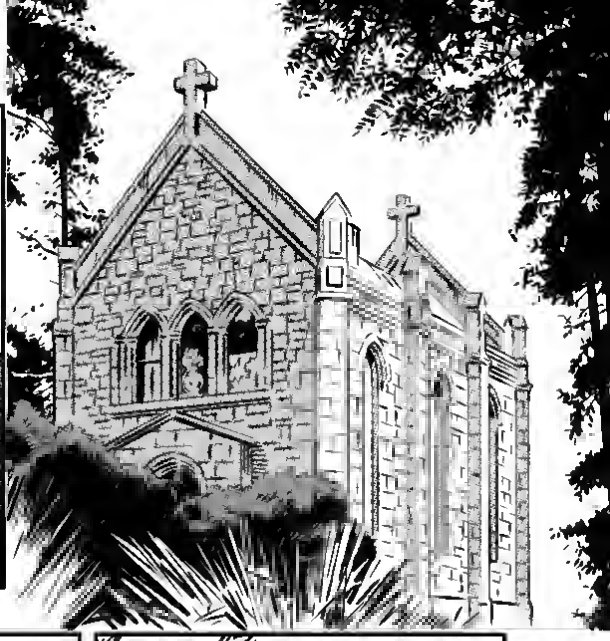
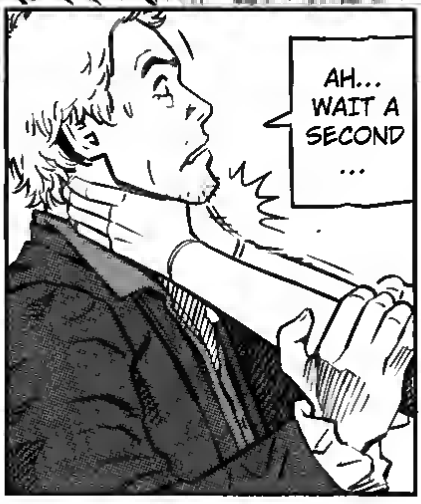



THESE NEW HANDS ...
I WONDER? YOU TOLD ME THEY WOULD BE GREAT! YOU SAID THESE HANDS WERE MADE OUT OF PURE LOVE!



GACK... COULD IT BE... WILL I DIE BY MY OWN CREATION? THIS IS A BIZARRE TURN OF EVENTS!
...I MADE THESE HANDS TO HELP YOU, WHY HAVE YOU RISEN AGAINST ME?


AH... WAIT A SECOND ...

ARE YOU DONE YET?
AH... AHHH... AHHH HHH... ...

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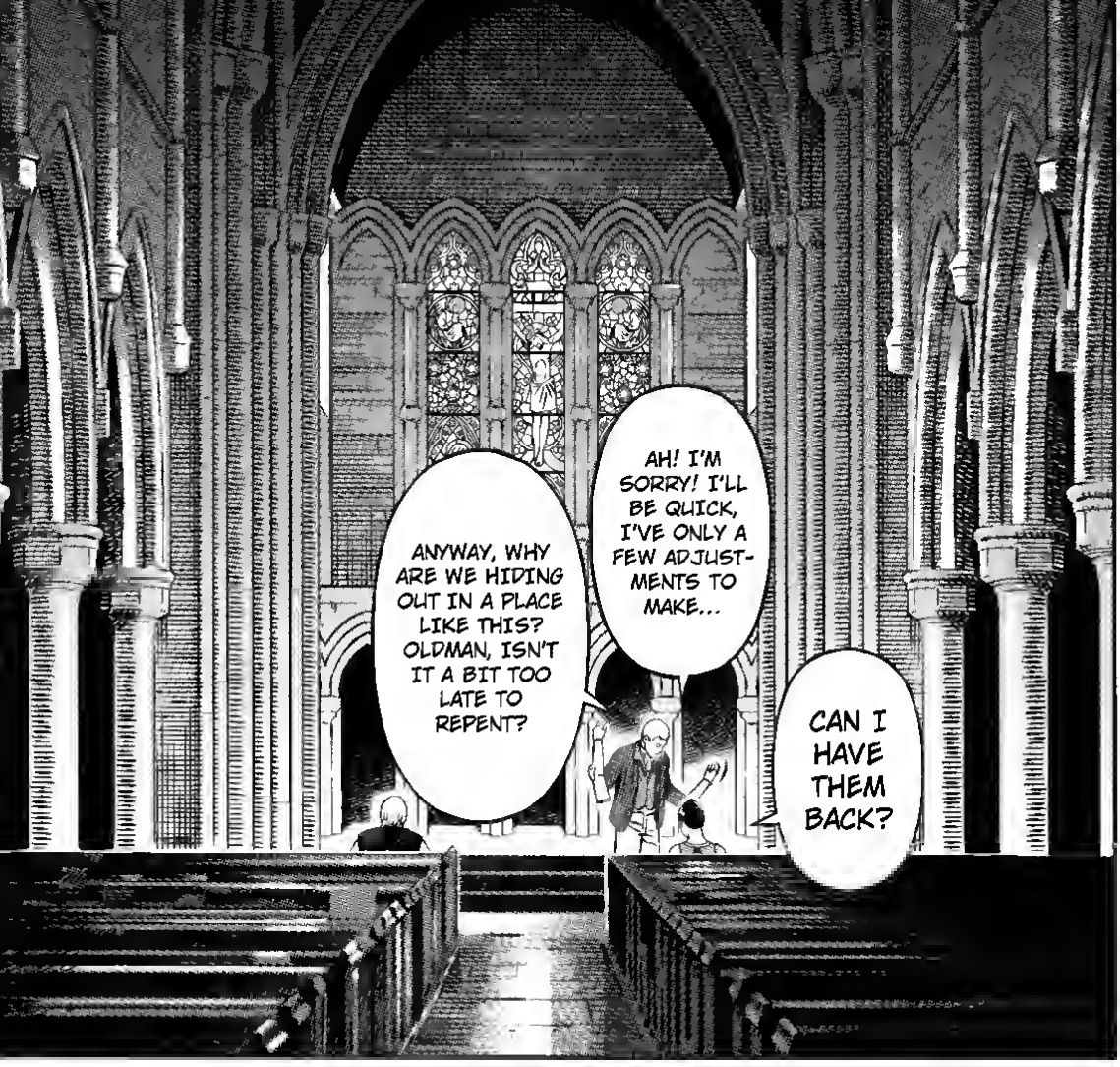
ANYWAY, WHY ARE WE HIDING OUT IN A PLACE LIKE THIS? OLDMAN, ISN'T IT A BIT TOO LATE TO REPENT?
AH! I'M SORRY! I'LL BE QUICK, I'VE ONLY A FEW ADJUST-MENTS TO MAKE...
CAN I HAVE THEM BACK?

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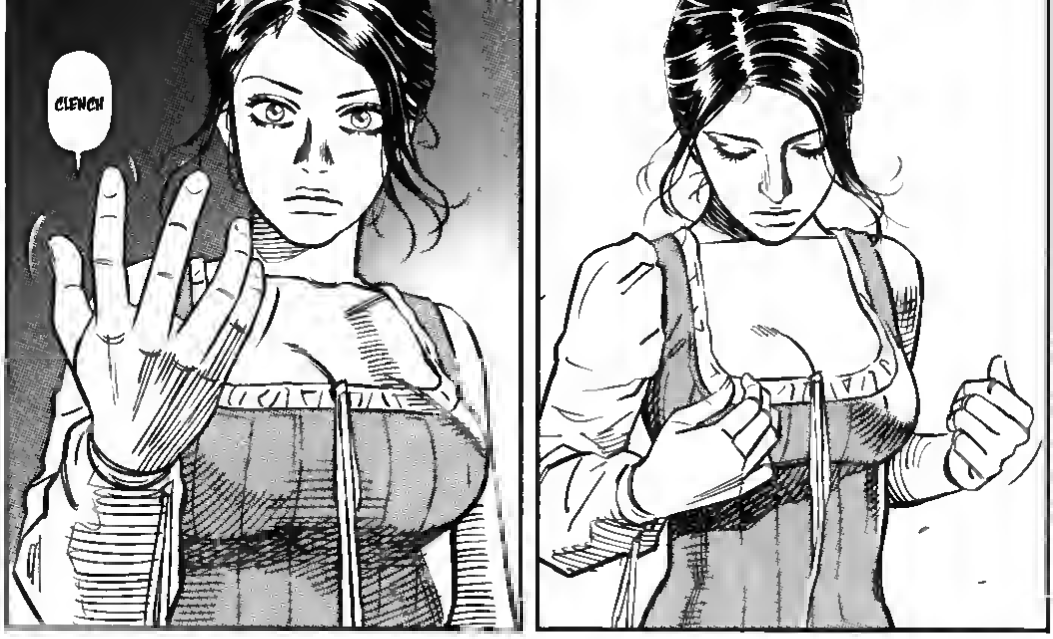
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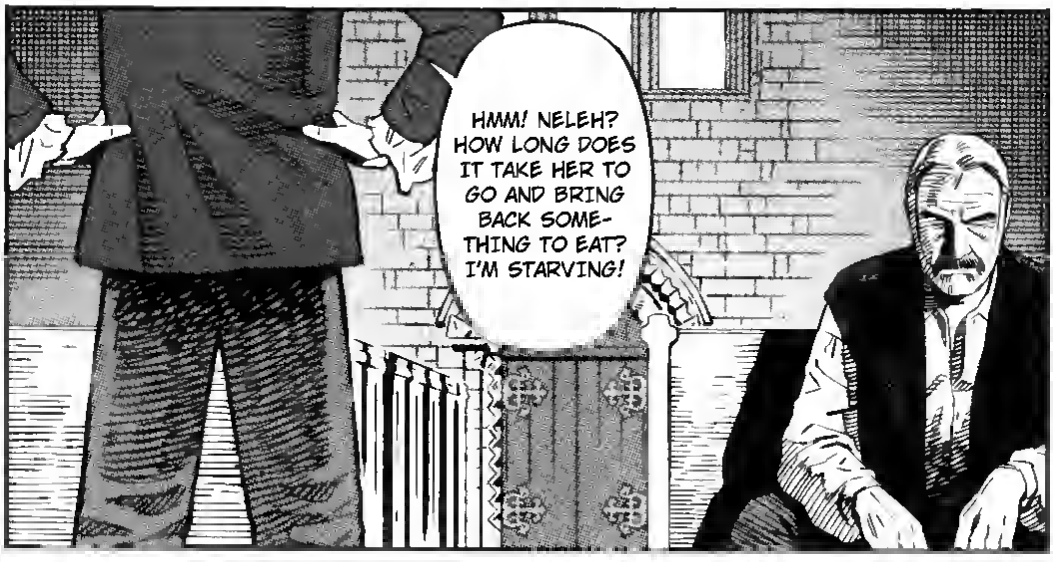
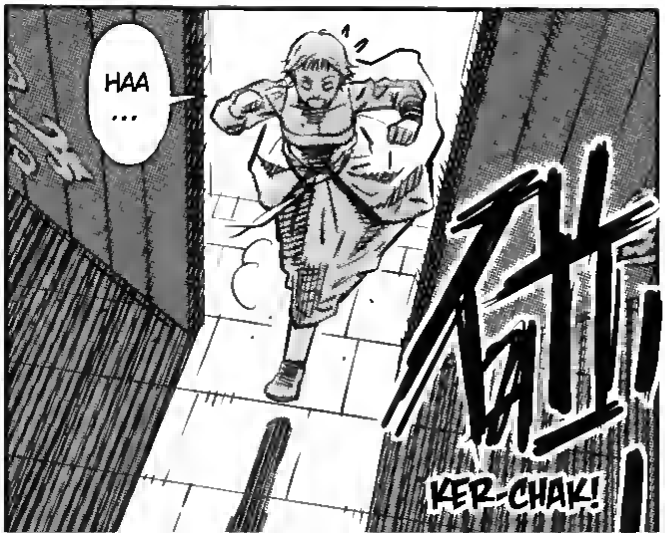

HMM! NELEH? HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE HER TO GO AND BRING BACK SOMETHING TO EAT? I'M STARVING!


HAA ...
KER-CHAK!

HAA... HAA...
PHEW .....
SLAM
AH! SHE'S EMPTY HANDED? PLEASE DON'T TELL ME WE'RE GOING TO STARVE TO DEATH IN THIS PLACE?
WHAT HAP-PENED?
A LARGE NUMBER OF SOLDIERS ARE HEAD-ING THIS WAY!
...T-THE QUEEN IS LEADING THEM PER-SONALLY!

THEY'LL BE HERE REALLY SOON!
THE QUEEN IS LEADING THEM PERSONALLY!?
NELEH, DO YOU UNDERSTAND? YOU MUST NOT BE CAUGHT! NOW GO!
YOU AND VINCENT HAVE GOT TO HURRY!
...AND THERE'S MORE ON THE WAY!
THEY'RE HERE!
NELEH! WE'VE GOT TO GO!

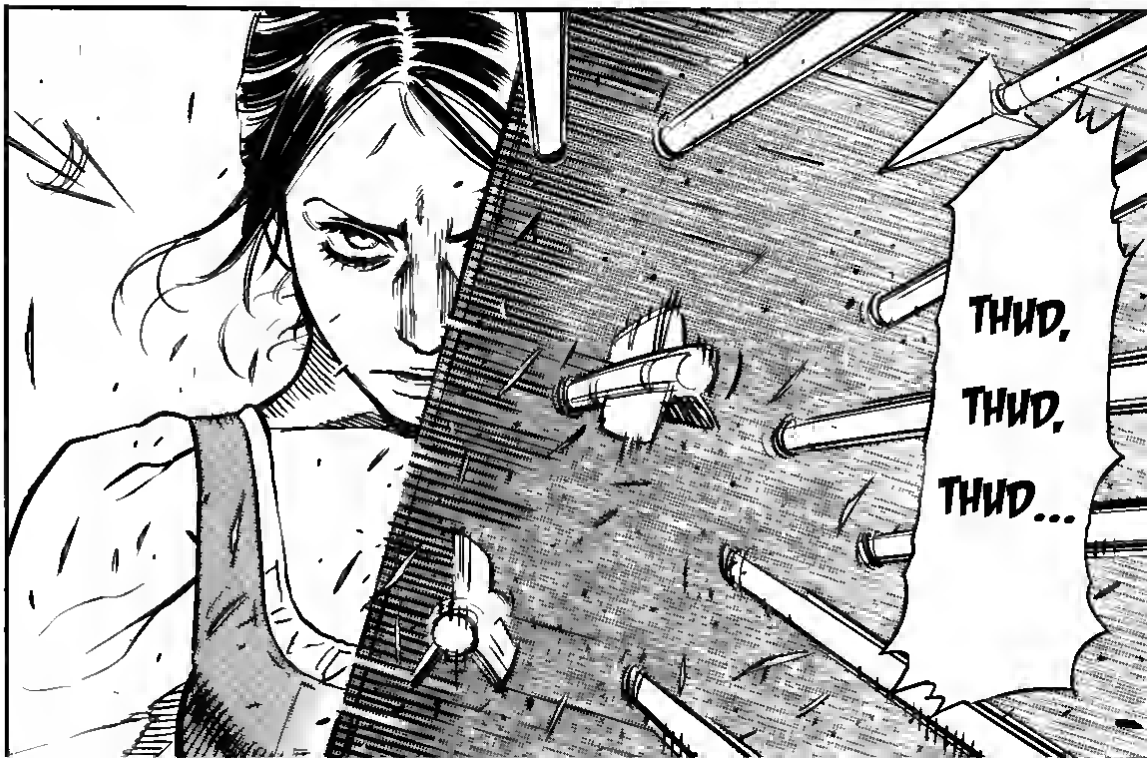
KER-CHAK!
THUD,
THUD,
THUD
...
IT'S THE QUEEN !!

HMM, AREN'T THE TWO OF YOU GOING TO RUN AWAY?

THE QUEEN CAME TO SEE US PERSONALLY. WHY WOULD WE RUN AWAY?

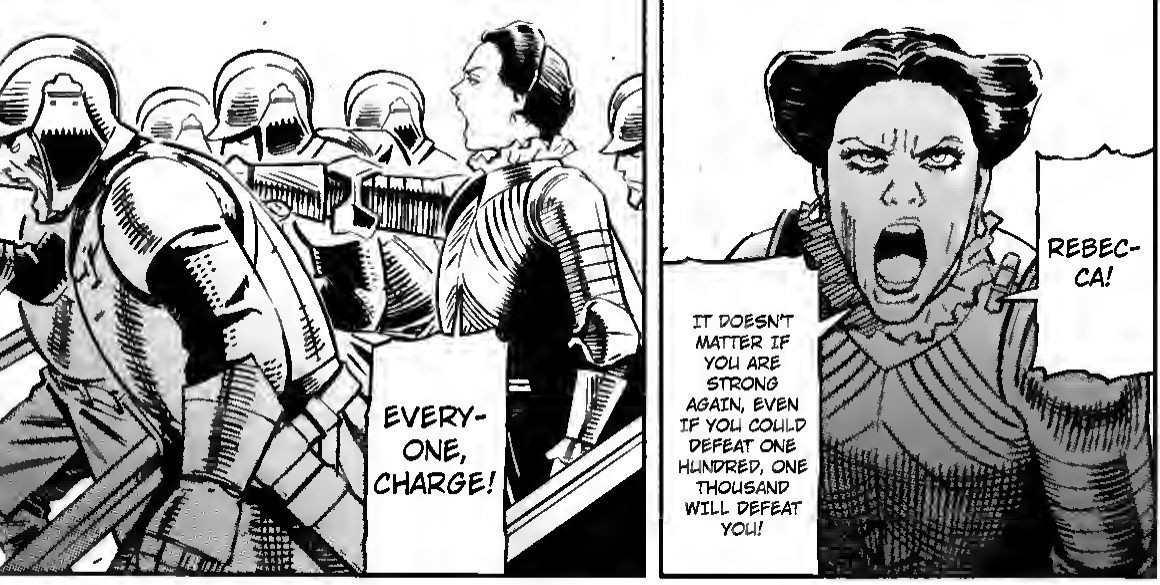
HUSH! DON'T SAY SUCH THINGS, FOR YOU WON'T HAVE THE CHANCE. WE'LL SEE WHAT YOU SAY ONCE YOU'VE GOT NO HEAD, MAYBE THEN YOU'LL BE LESS ANNOYING!
DON'T YOU WANT TO GET REVENGE ON THE ROYAL FAMILY, DIDN'T YOU DECLARE WAR ON THE QUEEN? OH, COME ON!
THEN GIVE ME AN OPPORTUNITY TO KILL YOU!
SHEEN
ATTACK!

SMASH!


THUD,
THUD,
THUD...

CHARGE!
KILL THEM!
SMASH
UGH!
AHH!
WAA!

SHEEN
TAKE THE SWORD!
I'LL TAKE YOU ALL ON...
RETREAT !!

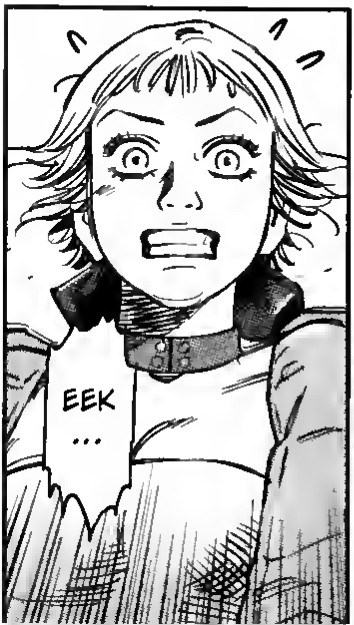

EVERY-ONE, CHARGE!
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU ARE STRONG AGAIN, EVEN IF YOU COULD DEFEAT ONE HUNDRED, ONE THOUSAND WILL DEFEAT YOU!
REBEC-CA!

CHARGE!
ATTACK!
FOR-WARD!

WELL... LOOKS LIKE EVERY-ONE'S COME TO PLAY!

WAH!
UGH!
THUD, THUD, THUD...

...GET OUT OF HERE, HURRY!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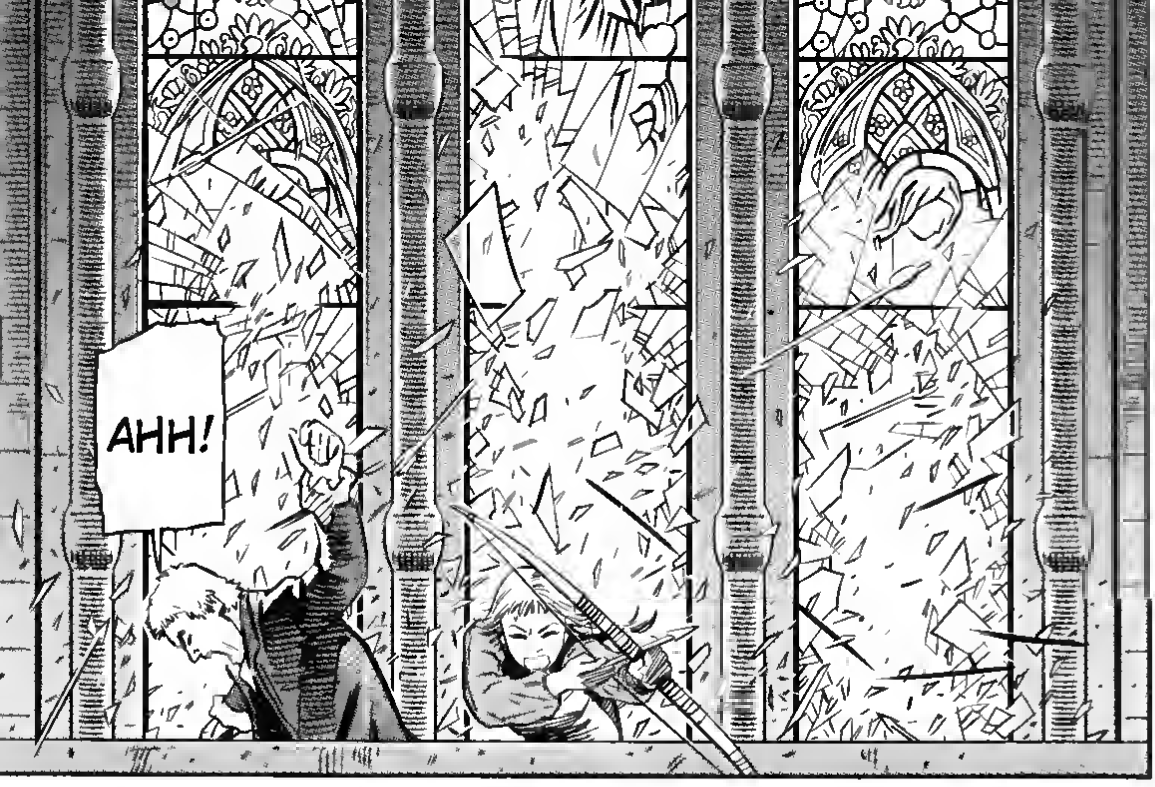
THERE ARE OTHERS? TAKE THEM DOWN!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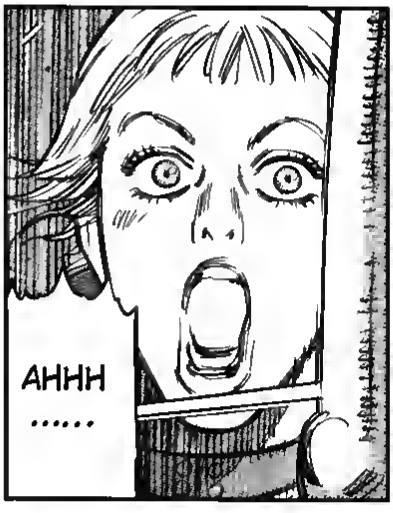
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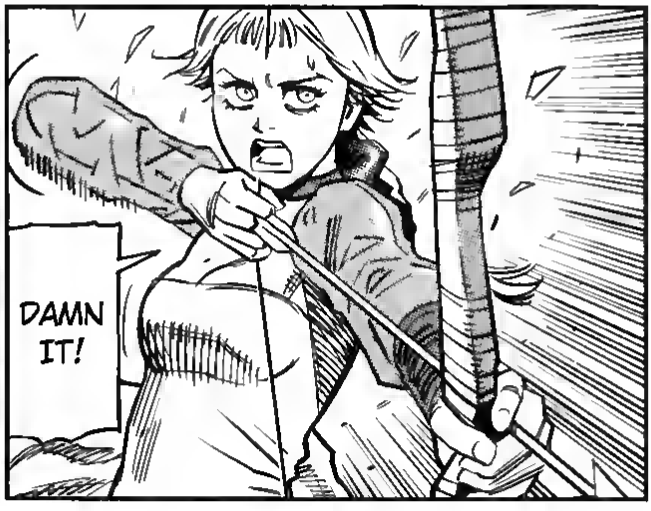
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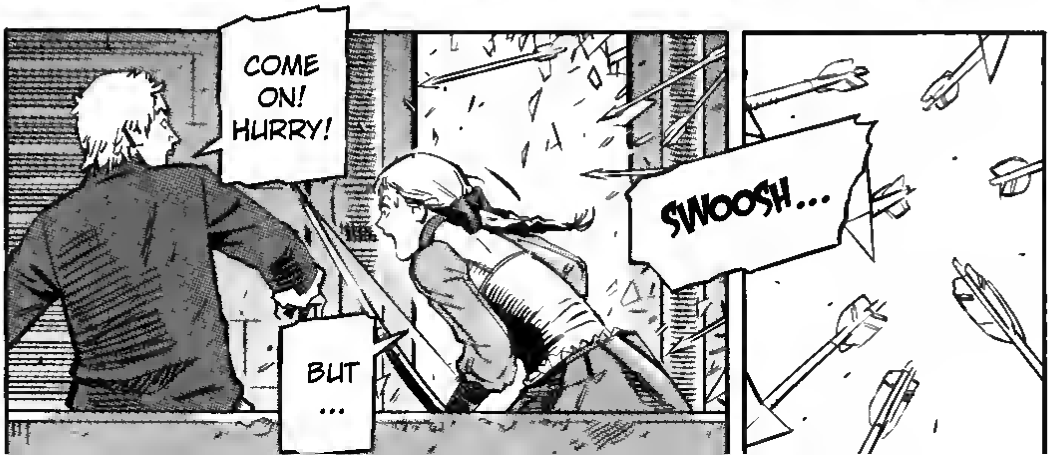
IT!


COME
ON!
HURRY!
BUT
...
SWOOSH...

FOR-
WARD!
AHH!
WAH!

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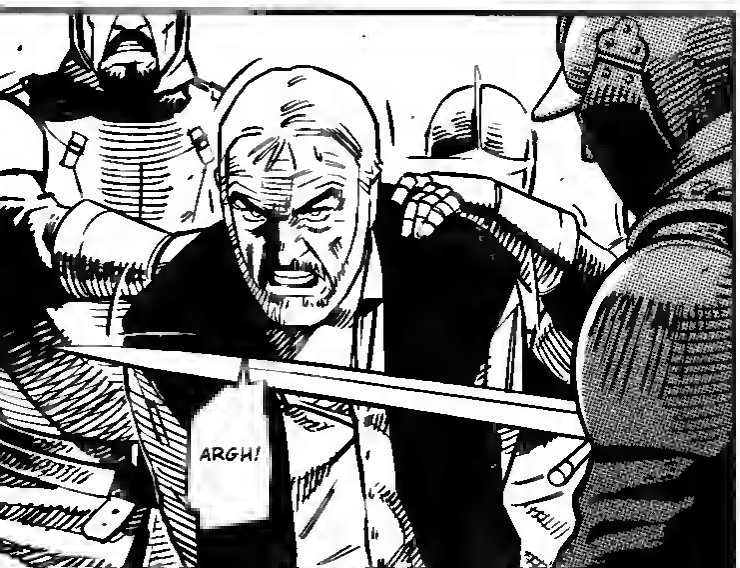
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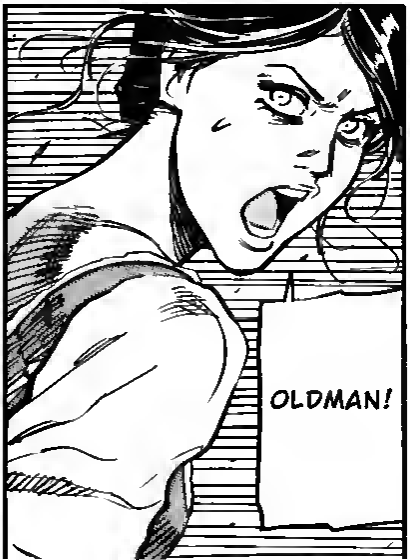
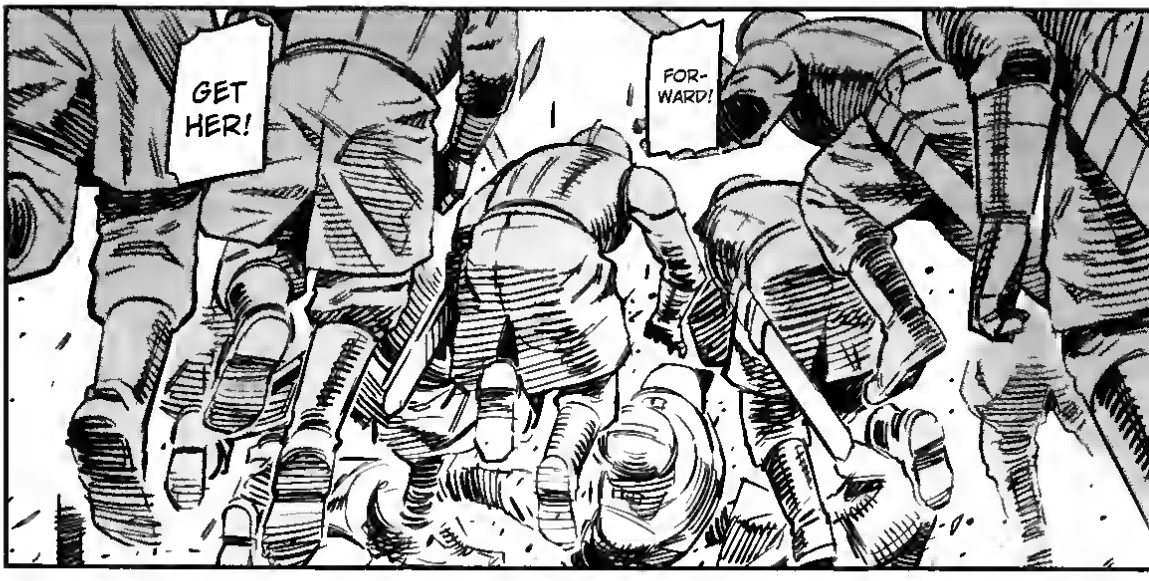

OLDMAN!

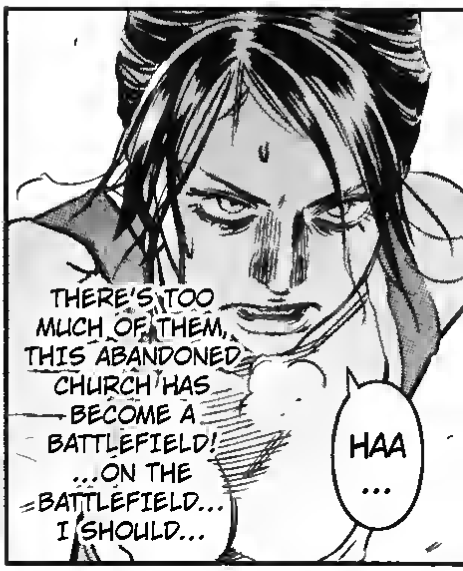
DAMN IT!
AHH!
WAH!


GET HER!
FOR-WARD!

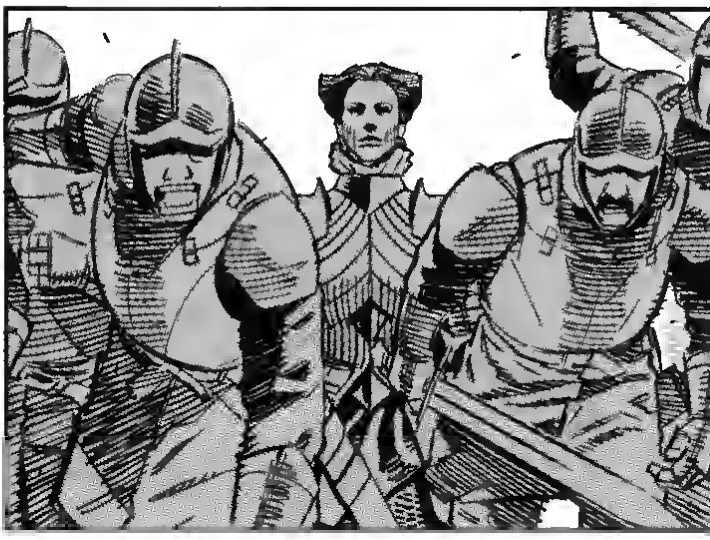
UGH ...

WAA!

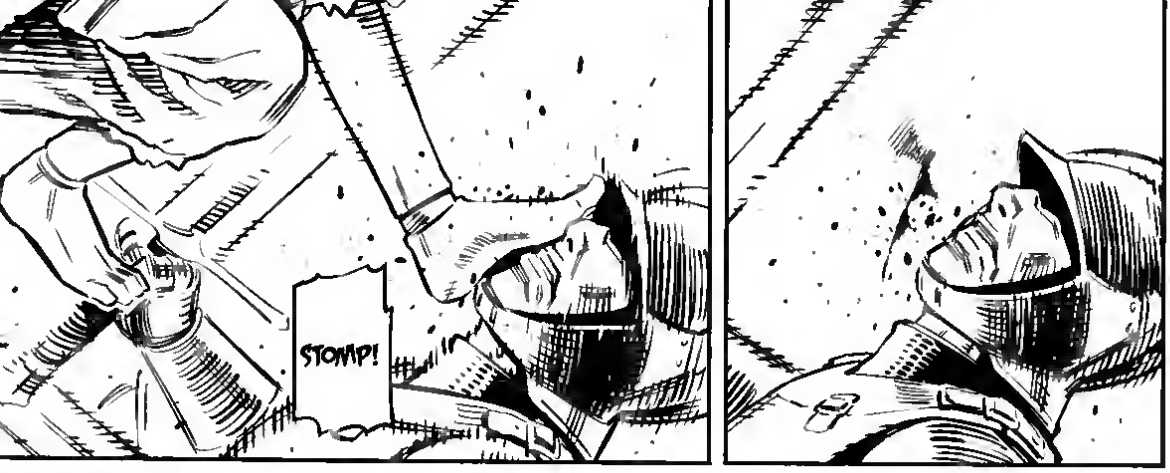
UGH!


THERE'S TOO MUCH OF THEM, THIS ABANDONED CHURCH HAS BECOME A BATTLEFIELD!
...ON THE BATTLEFIELD... I SHOULD...
HAA ...

TARGET THE LEADER!!!



WAA ...
AH!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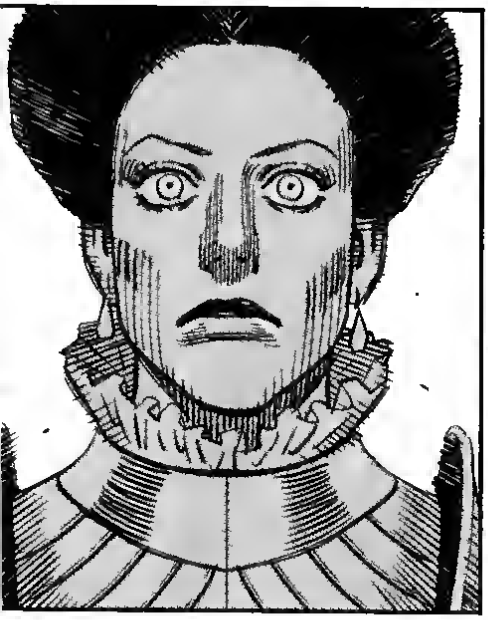

YAAA
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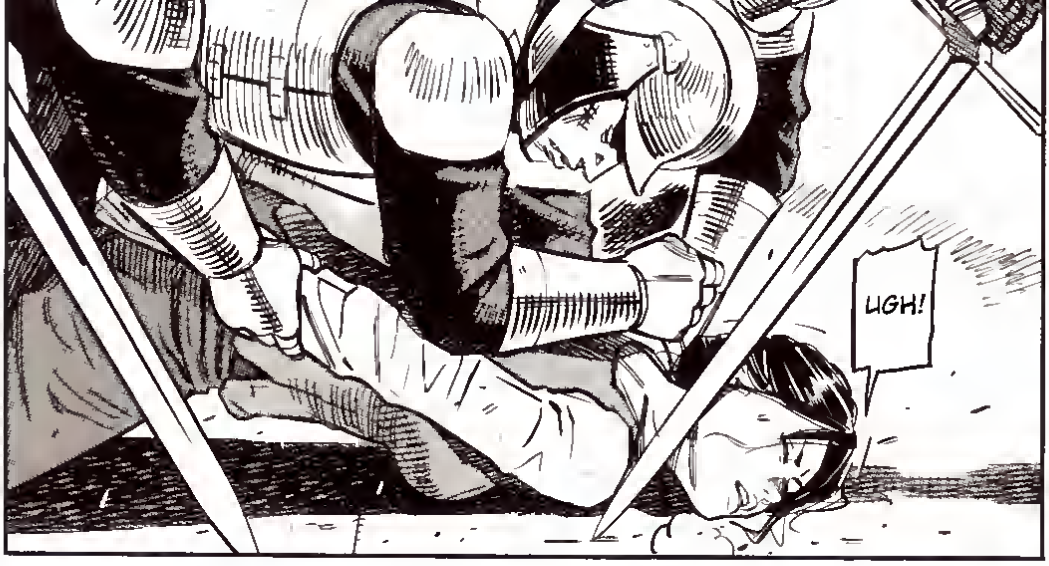
AH, WHAT A PITY! YOU WERE ONE STEP AWAY!
GRAB HER LEGS!
GET HER!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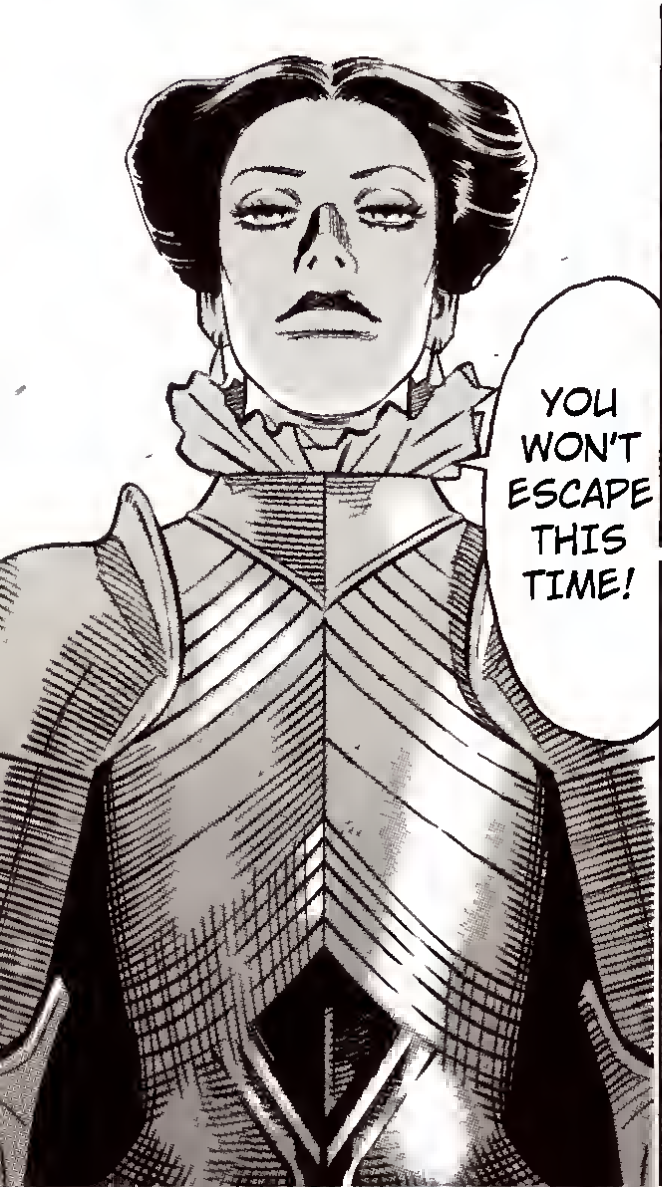
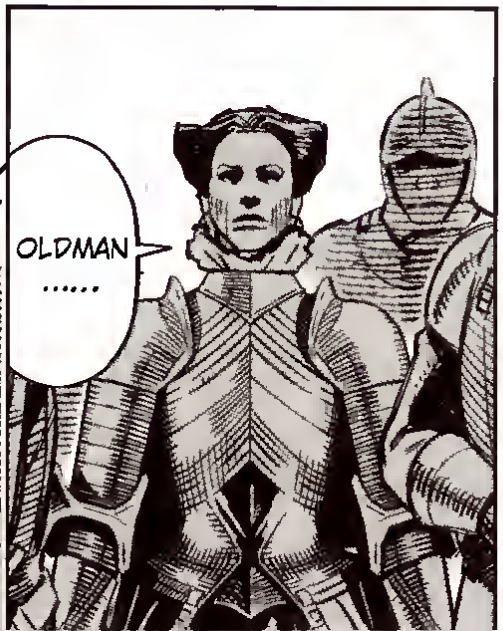

YOU WON'T ESCAPE THIS TIME!


OLDMAN
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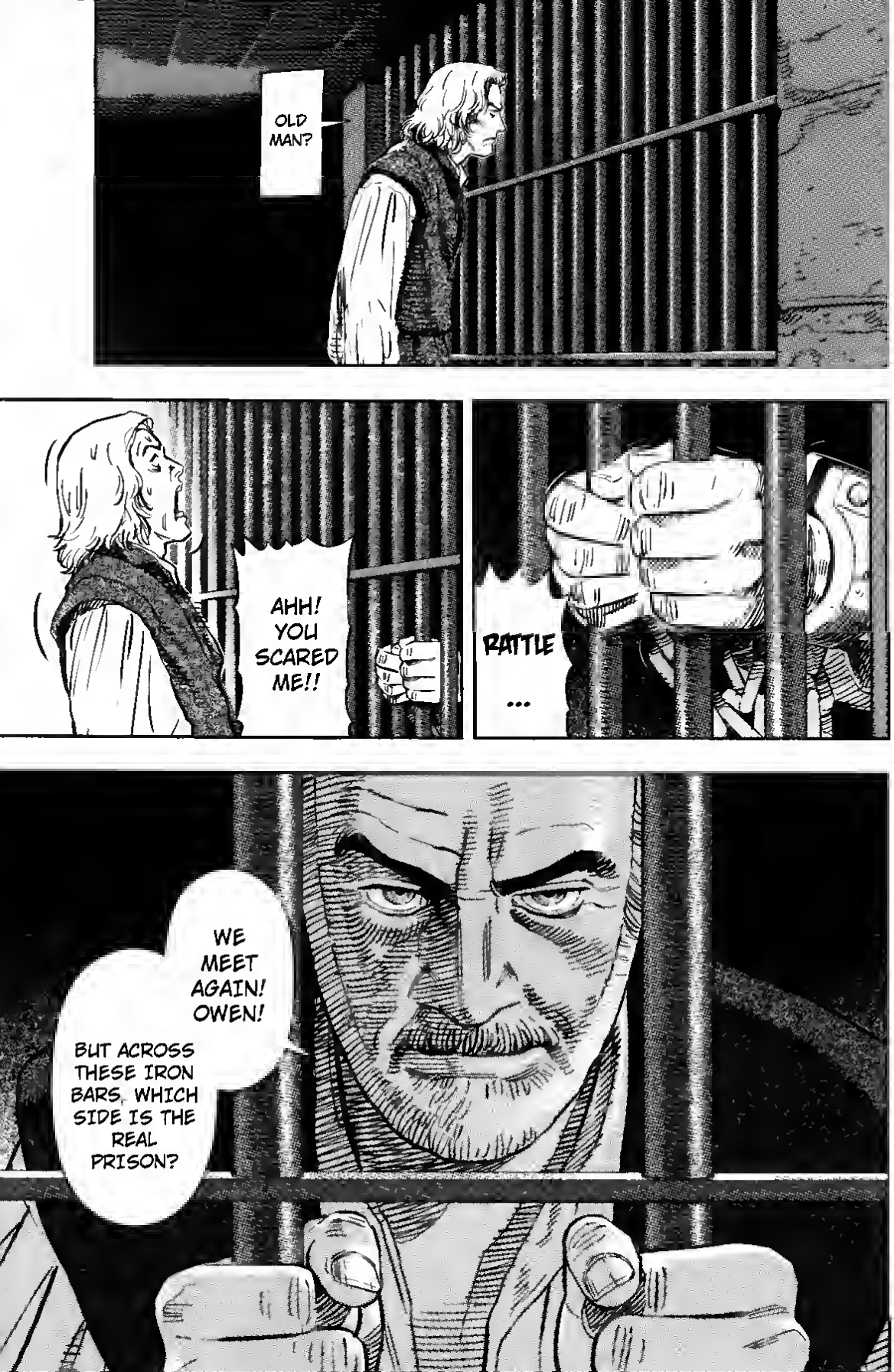
CHAPTER 18 - YOU ONLY DIE ONCE

HMPH!


OLD MAN?
AHH! YOU SCARED ME!!
RATTLE ...
WE MEET AGAIN! OWEN!
BUT ACROSS THESE IRON BARS, WHICH SIDE IS THE REAL PRISON?

YOU ARE IN A DARK CELL, DO YOU HAVE A PLAN? DON'T EXPECT ME TO SAVE YOU! I'M NOT GOOD AT THAT SORT OF THING!
IN THIS PLACE, HOW CAN YOU THREATEN THAT OLD WOMAN?
WELL! YOU HAVE REALLY BEEN CAUGHT THIS TIME, OR SHOULD I SAY...THIS IS WHAT YOU WANTED?
I'M SURE YOU ARE THE ONE IN PRISON!
OH...THE OUTCOME... HAS YET TO BE DECIDED!
I'LL RISK BEING BEHEADED FOR YOU FOR INFORMATION AGAINST THE QUEEN I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU EXECUTED! BUT DON'T FORGET WHAT YOU PROMISED ME...
I HEARD THE OLD WOMAN HAS DECIDED TO EXECUTE YOU THREE DAYS FROM NOW!
WHAT-EVER!

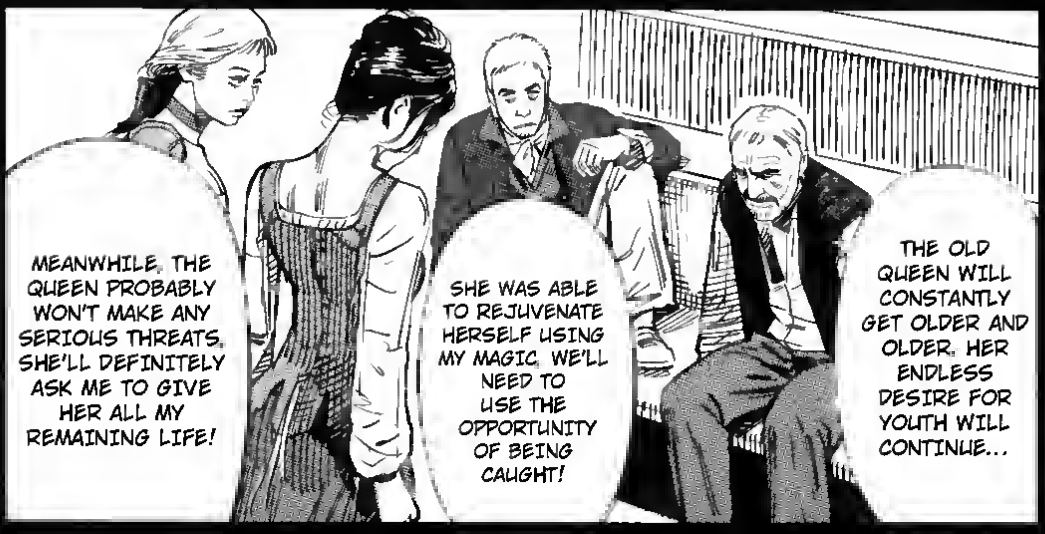
...
A-AGAIN?
INDEED! HOWEVER... YOU'LL HAVE TO HELP ME ONE LAST TIME...
THE THRONE !?
I WANT YOU TO DRAW A MAP FOR ME, THEN SECRETLY GIVE IT TO MY COMRADES!
AS A CHILD... YOU ALWAYS CHASED ME. OVER TIME, WE FOUND OUT ABOUT EVERY TUNNEL IN THE PALACE...
HUH? WHAT'S THIS?
ARE YOU ASKING ME TO GET INTO TROUBLE!?
RATTLE
...

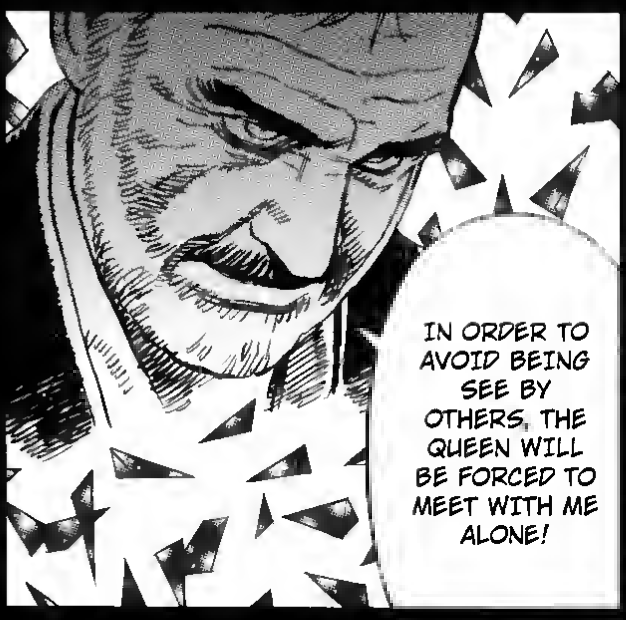
K
WHEN DID THIS...
.....
DON'T WORRY, MY COMRADES ARE ONLY TWO PEOPLE, TWO... IT'S NOT LIKE IT'S A WHOLE ARMY!
ARE YOU ASKING FOR TROUBLE?
EIDE, I HOPE YOU CAN FULFIL YOUR PROMISE!

THREE DAYS UNTIL THE EXECUTION...

SO I ONLY HAVE THREE DAYS TO LIVE?
DON'T WORRY... THAT'S NOT NECESSARY!
THE QUEEN WILL BE HEAVILY GUARDED, WE'LL NEED ACCESS TO HER..
THE QUEEN IS COMING HERE TO CAPTURE US...
WE CAN'T HIDE ANY LONGER. AN INFORMANT HAS ALREADY TOLD THEM THAT WE'RE IN THIS ABANDONED CHURCH..

SO THEY ARE COMING TO GET US? TELL ME YOU HAVE A PLAN?
AH!
WHAT DID YOU SAY!?
WE'VE GOT NO CLEAN ROUTE TO THE QUEEN UNLESS WE GET CAPTURED...
NORMALLY SPEAKING... THAT SEEMS TO BE THE CASE! BUT...
OH DEAR ...
BUT... IF WE ARE CAUGHT, THAT'S IT, AND WE'LL MOST LIKELY BE BEHEADED AT ONCE!

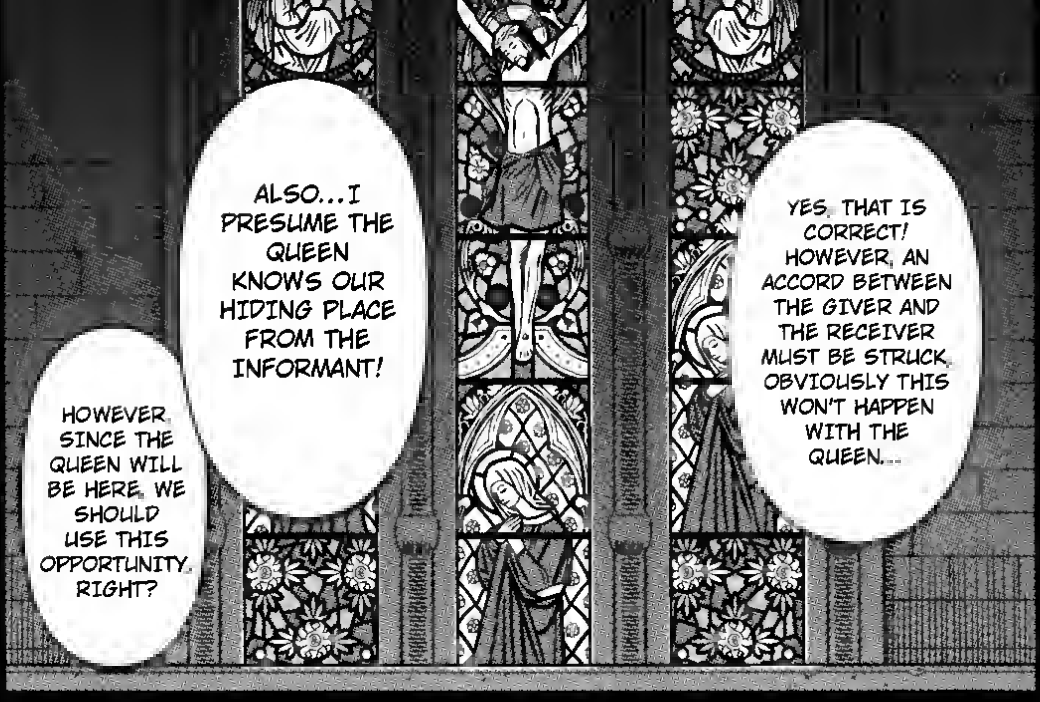

MEANWHILE, THE QUEEN PROBABLY WON'T MAKE ANY SERIOUS THREATS. SHE'LL DEFINITELY ASK ME TO GIVE HER ALL MY REMAINING LIFE!
SHE WAS ABLE TO REJUVENATE HERSELF USING MY MAGIC. WE'LL NEED TO USE THE OPPORTUNITY OF BEING CAUGHT!
THE OLD QUEEN WILL CONSTANTLY GET OLDER AND OLDER. HER ENDLESS DESIRE FOR YOUTH WILL CONTINUE...


IN ORDER TO AVOID BEING SEE BY OTHERS, THE QUEEN WILL BE FORCED TO MEET WITH ME ALONE!

HOWEVER, THE QUEEN MAY DECIDE TO EXECUTE ME AND FIND SOME WAY TO GAIN ACCESS TO MY LIFE FORCE...

THIS IS A NECESSARY STEP. YOU WANT TO USE YOUR TIME MAGIC. YOU WANT THOSE THIRTY YEARS TAKEN FROM YOU BACK. CORRECT?

NO GUARDS. NO OTHER PEOPLE. WHAT ARE YOU CHANCES WITH THE QUEEN?


YES, THAT IS CORRECT! HOWEVER, AN ACCORD BETWEEN THE GIVER AND THE RECEIVER MUST BE STRUCK. OBVIOUSLY THIS WON'T HAPPEN WITH THE QUEEN...
ALSO...I PRESUME THE QUEEN KNOWS OUR HIDING PLACE FROM THE INFORMANT!
HOWEVER, SINCE THE QUEEN WILL BE HERE, WE SHOULD USE THIS OPPORTUNITY, RIGHT?

THE END RESULT WILL BE OUR VICTORY OVER THE QUEEN!
EXCEPT THE QUEEN MAY THREATEN ME WITH SOME-THING I CAN'T IGNORE. THEN I WILL BE FORCED TO GIVE UP MY REMAINING LIFE!

YOU!
THREATEN? THREATEN YOU WITH WHAT?

I NEED YOU... TO DIE ONCE FOR ME!
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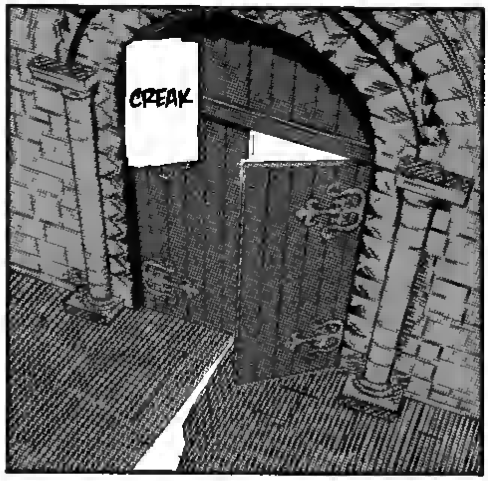
IN ORDER TO TAKE REVENGE UPON THE QUEEN, WE MUST PRETEND TO BE CAUGHT...
AND THEN... WE'LL DIE FOR THE FIRST TIME?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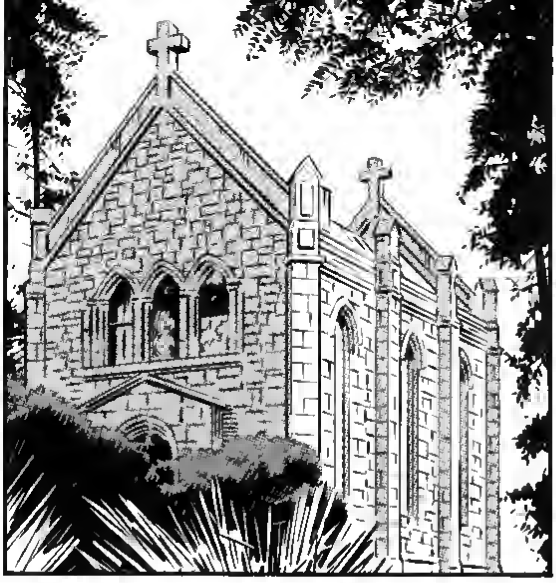

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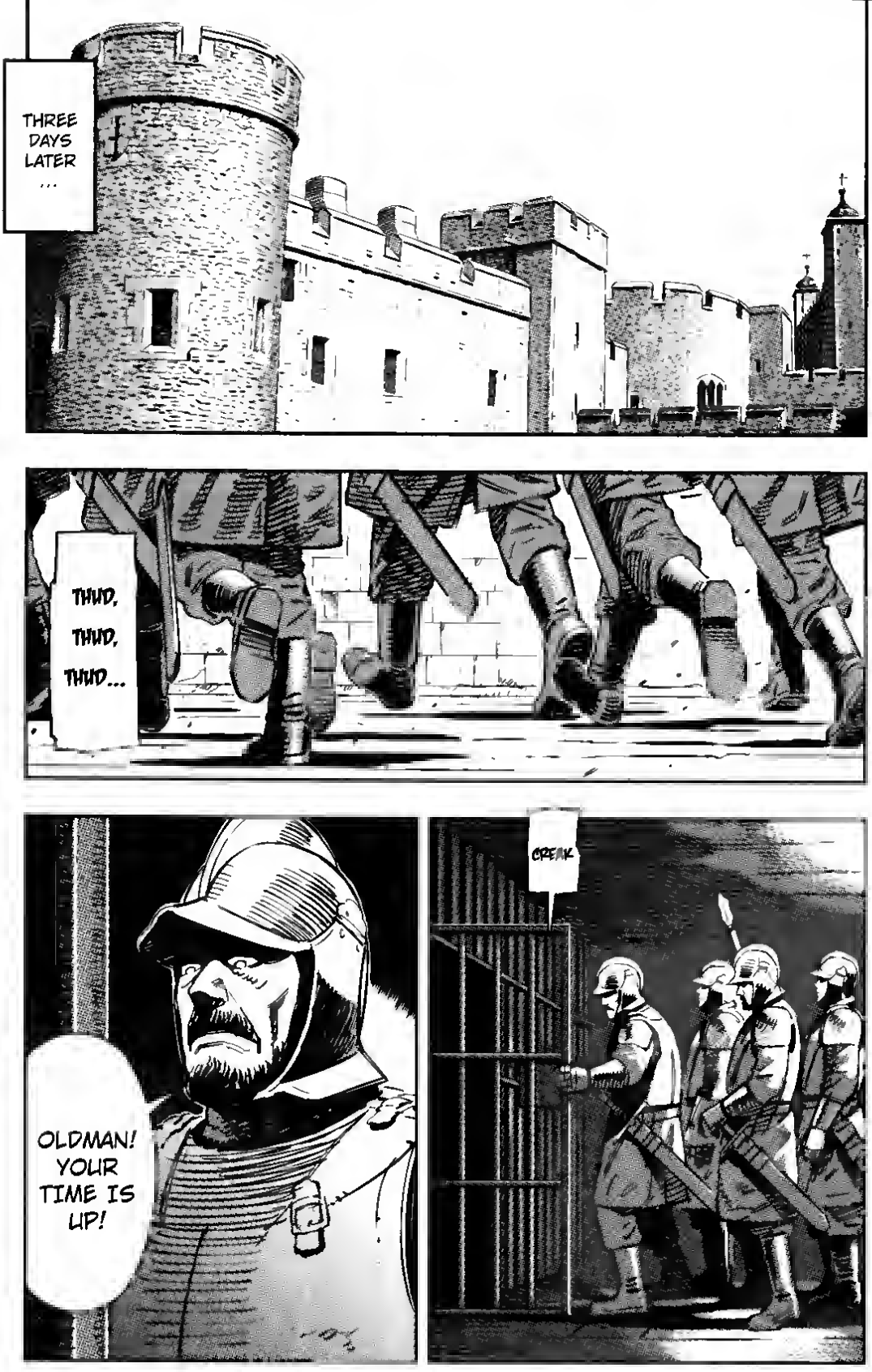
I'VE ALREADY SEEN YOU! COME ON OUT!
VINCENT AND NELEH, YOU WON'T BE CAPTURED, AFTER I LEAVE WITH REBECCA, YOU WILL STAY IN THIS ABANDONED CHURCH AND AWAIT MY MESSAGE!
WHILE I SET MY PLAN IN MOTION OWEN WILL TAKE YOU...
I CANNOT PREDICT WHAT THE QUEEN WILL PLAN. FOR INSURANCE, VINCENT AND NELEH MUST NOT BE CAUGHT!

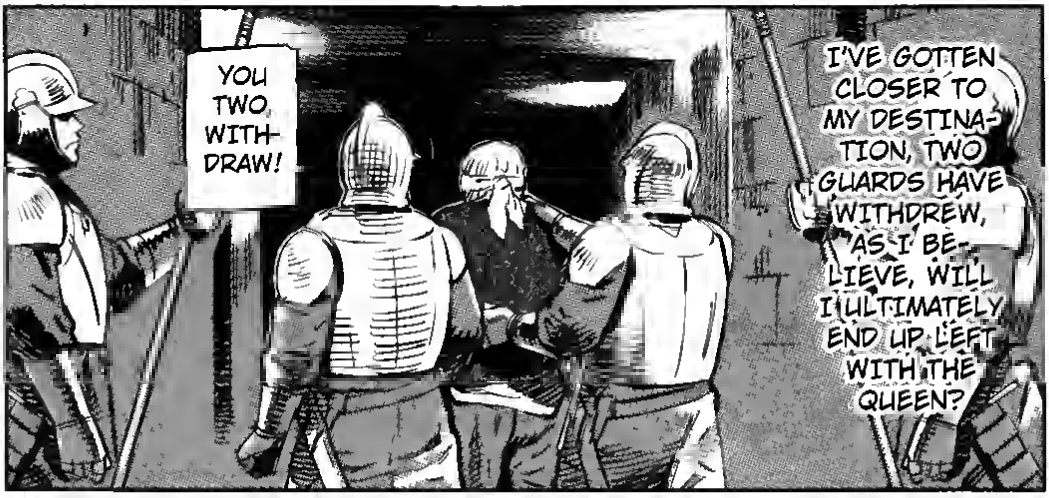
OH...I DON'T THINK THERE WILL BE ANY PROBLEMS. HE HAS HIS EYES ONLY ON THE THRONE...
OWEN!? BUT... AREN'T YOU AFRAID HE'LL RECOGNIZE ME?
WE ARE OLDMAN'S COM-RADES!
I KNOW THAT! BUT, WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE ARE YOU?
HEY! OLDMAN'S COMRADES! WHAT...KIND OF PEOPLE ARE YOU?
I AM VINCENT, THE PROSECTOR!
UHM...I AM THE GIRL OF PROPHECIES, NELEH! AH...THAT'S ALL I'VE GOT!

NEVER MIND! THIS IS FOR YOU...
WELL... FROM YOUR POSITION, YOU ARE LOOKING AT ME FROM THE SIDE, RIGHT?
DO I KNOW YOU FROM SOMEWHERE ...YOU SEEM FAMILIAR...?
THIS IS A MAP OF THE PALACE'S SECRET PASSAGES, I'VE MARKED THE LOCATION WHERE OLDMAN IS BEING HELD AND WHERE HE'LL BE EXECUTED.
A MAP?
WHAT IS IT?
I LEAVE EVERYTHING IN YOUR HANDS, I'M LEAVING! THAT MAP IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME, DON'T LOSE IT!
HUH! WHAT THE HELL...
DID A CHILD DRAW THIS MAP? IT'LL BE HARD TO UNDERSTAND THIS!
...I RECOGNIZE THIS HAND-WRITING! IT'S EASY TO TELL WHO WROTE IT!


THREE DAYS LATER ...
THUD, THUD, THUD...
OLDMAN! YOUR TIME IS UP!
CREAK

CLICK
...
HURRY!
MOVE FOR-WARD!
WHERE ARE THEY TAKING ME? DOWN A STAIRCASE?

THUD,
THUD,
THUD...

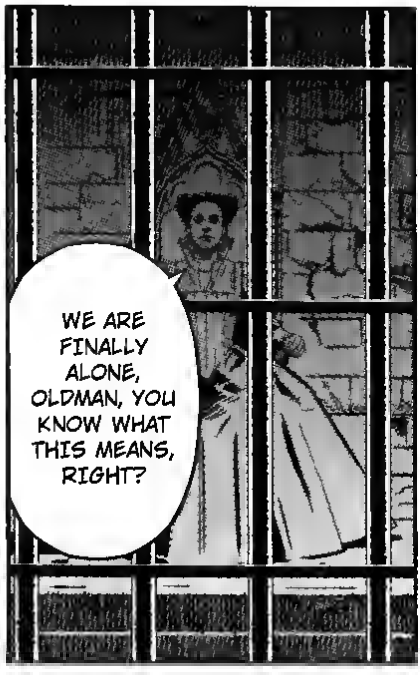

YOU TWO, WITHDRAW!
I'VE GOTTEN CLOSER TO MY DESTINATION, TWO GUARDS HAVE WITHDREW, AS I BELIEVE, WILL I ULTIMATELY END UP LEFT WITH THE QUEEN?

GO!
THIS ROOM ...IS IT ANOTHER JAIL CELL?

I'M GOING THROUGH A DOOR...
CREAK

WITHOUT MY COMMAND, THEY CANNOT CHOP OFF YOUR HEAD!
THEY ARE ALL GONE NOW!

YOU CAN TAKE OFF YOUR BLINDFOLD!


WE ARE FINALLY ALONE, OLDMAN, YOU KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS, RIGHT?

AH!

WELL...WE'RE NOT EXACTLY ALONE! LOOK AROUND, THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT YOU TO SEE IN THAT ROOM!

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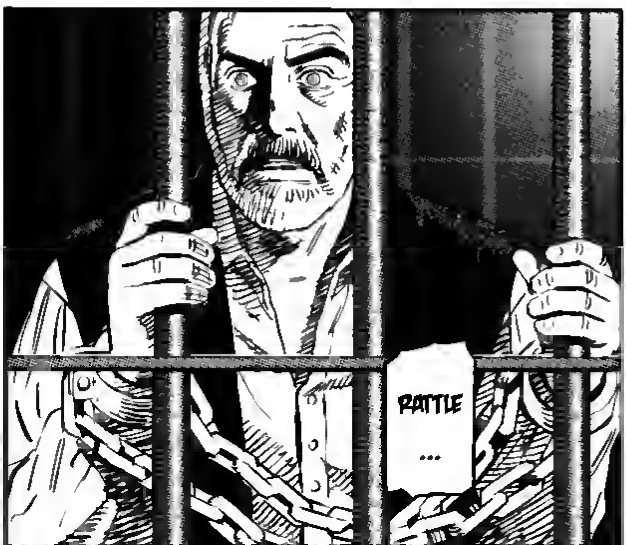
RATTLE
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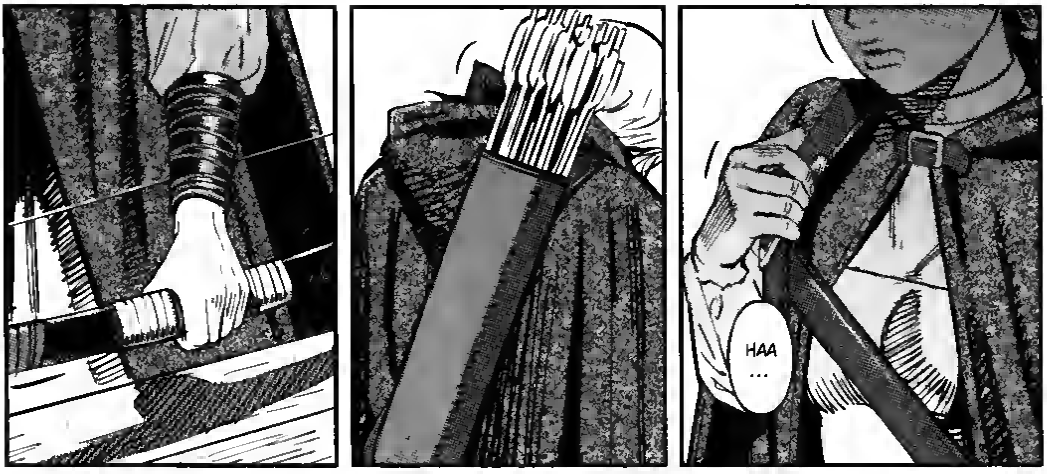
WHAT? ARE YOU NOT SATISFIED WITH MY ARRANGEMENT?
SHE ISN'T DEAD! NOT YET ANY-WAYS, THOUGH YOU MAY HAVE TO WATCH THE REST OF HER PERFORMANCE!
REBECCA !!
I THINK THE TIME IS RIGHT... AH...HOW DO I SAY THIS...ARE YOU READY TO ENJOY THE REST OF THE MAGIC SHOW?
BEYOND LIFE AND DEATH, THERE'S NOT TIME LIKE A PRETTY REJU-VENATING MAGIC SHOW! AHAHAHA...


HAA
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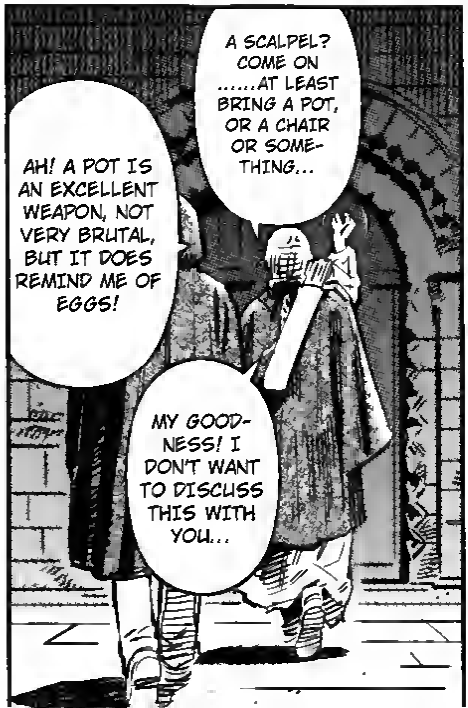
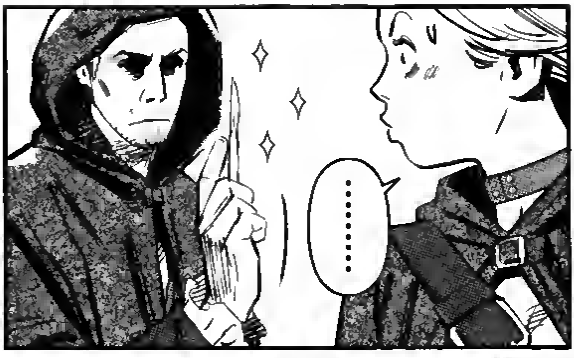
HUH?
YOU READY...UH ...IT SEEMS YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE A DECENT WEAPON..


A SCALPEL? COME ON .....AT LEAST BRING A POT, OR A CHAIR OR SOMETHING...
AH! A POT IS AN EXCELLENT WEAPON, NOT VERY BRUTAL, BUT IT DOES REMIND ME OF EGGS!
MY GOODNESS! I DON'T WANT TO DISCUSS THIS WITH YOU...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UHM...I AM A PROSECTOR! WHAT KIND OF BRUTAL WEAPONS AM I GOING TO USE...?
HA.....IS THAT DAZZLE EFFECT IT? OR DID YOU SHRINK A BIG SWORD DOWN TO A SMALL ONE?

I REMEMBER THE PLACE, OR SHOULD I SAY... I REMEMBER!
UHM, CAN YOU READ THIS MAP?

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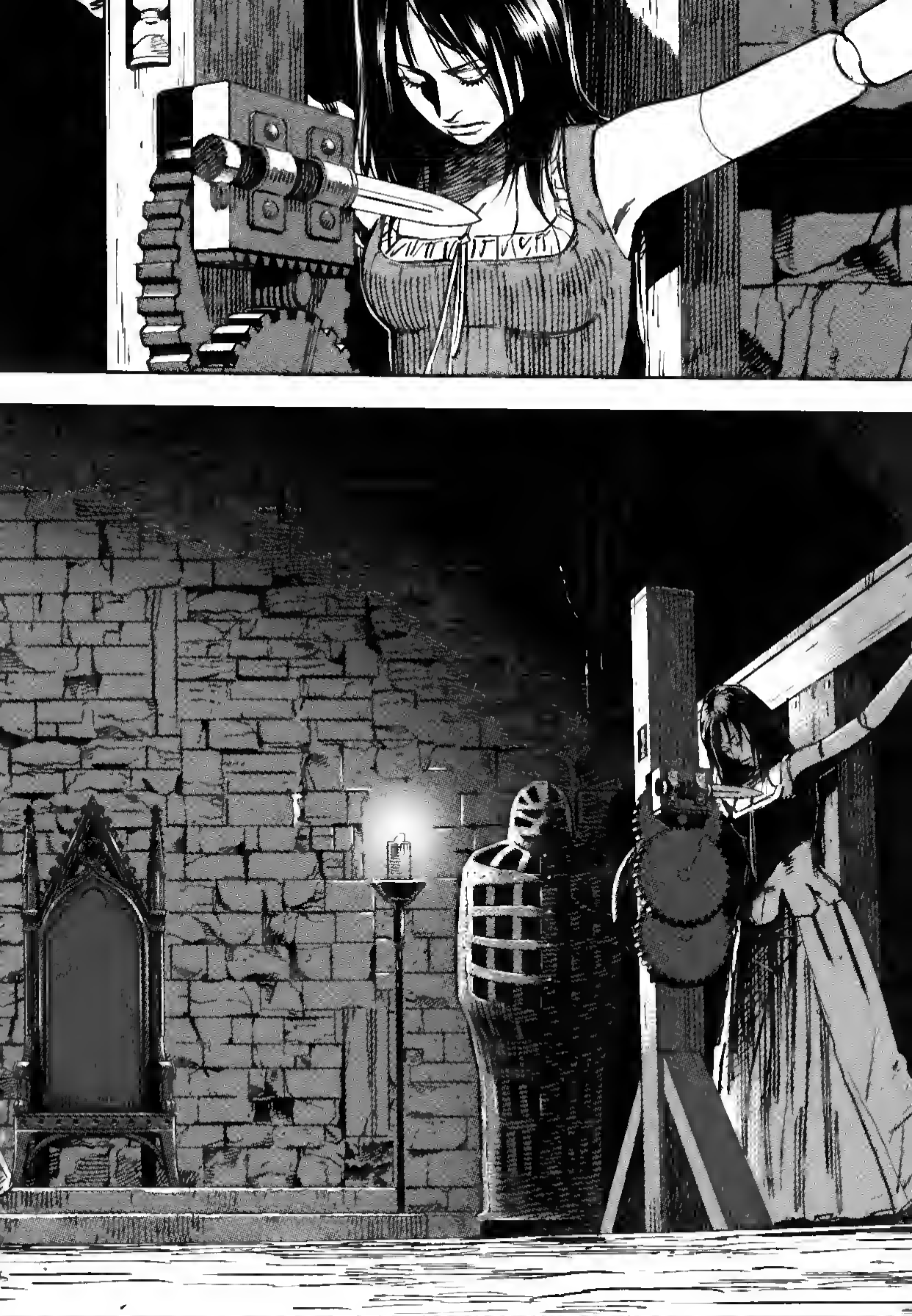


HA! WAS THAT SUPPOSED TO BE A QUESTION?
YOU..... WHAT DO YOU WANT?
DON'T TELL ME YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN!

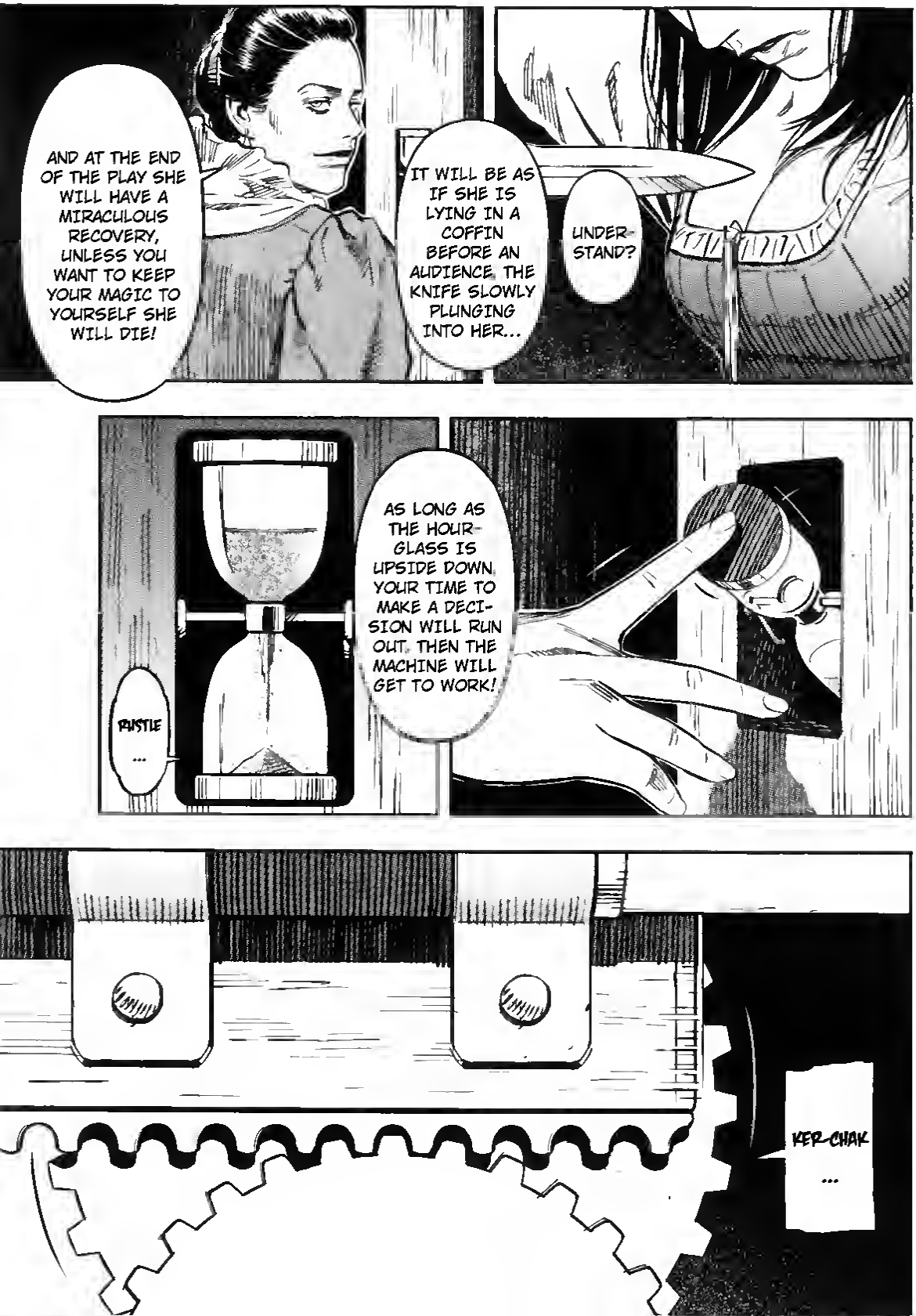
SURELY... YOU MUST HAVE GUESSED THIS WOULD HAPPEN, BUT I GUESS YOU DIDN'T THINK I WOULD ROLL OVER WITHOUT A FIGHT, ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
OWEN HAS KEPT ME INFORMED, YOU SHOULDN'T BE SURPRISED BY HIS BETRAYAL, AN OBVIOUS SCAM CAN BE SEEN FROM A MILE AWAY!
WANT TO MEET WITH ME ALONE? .....AM I RIGHT?
I WASN'T SURPRISED AT ALL, I KNEW YOU WOULD TRY AND SEIZE THIS OPPORTUNITY, YOUR REMAINING LIFE WILL BE ALL MINE!
WHAT WILL YOU DO NOW THAT YOU'VE BEEN CAUGHT? I BET YOU'LL...

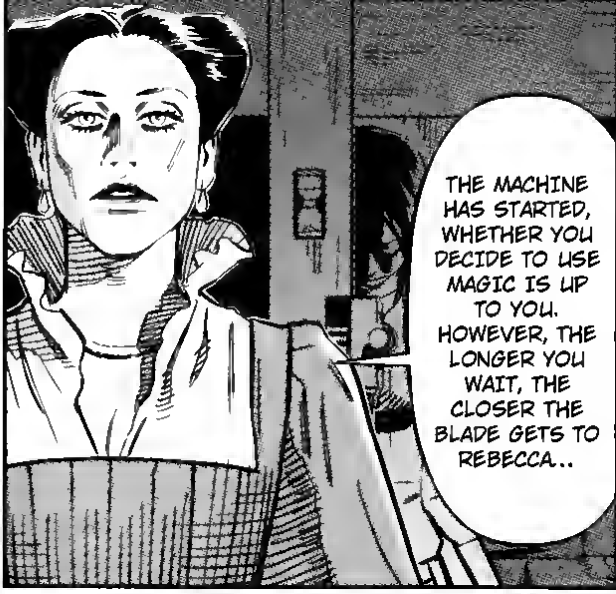
I WANT TO TAKE AWAY ALL YOUR REMAINING LIFE, SO USE YOUR...
AT FIRST I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH YOU. BUT...I THINK I'LL BE REASONABLE...

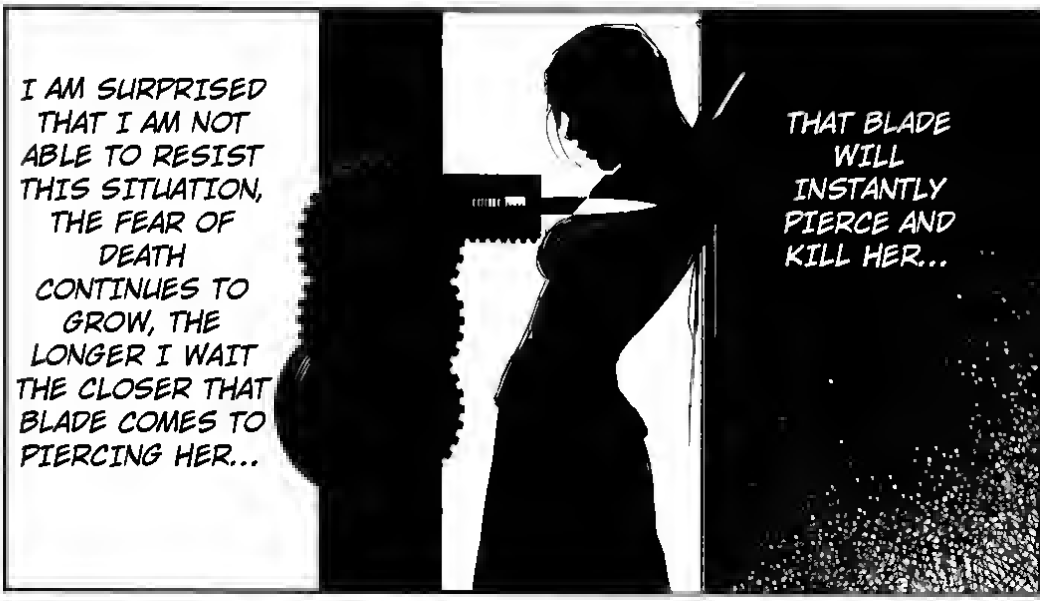
REVERSE TIME MAGIC?

OH...WELL... MAYBE WE'LL HAVE OUR-SELVES A LITTLE SHOW! OLDMAN!

HMPH!
IF I STAY HERE THE REST OF MY LIFE THEN MY LIFE WILL END!
.....
WELL, WHAT DO YOU SAY? YOU'LL HAVE THE REST OF YOUR LIFE IN HERE TO DECIDE!
BUT IT WON'T BE YOUR DEATH...IT WILL BE REBECCA'S!
SO, YOU WANT DEATH! I CAN ARRANGE THAT!

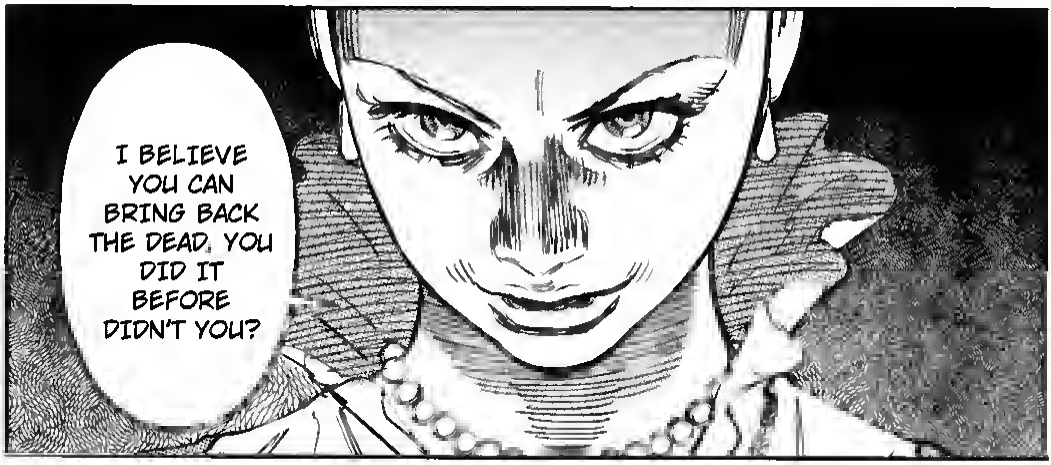

AND AT THE END OF THE PLAY SHE WILL HAVE A MIRACULOUS RECOVERY, UNLESS YOU WANT TO KEEP YOUR MAGIC TO YOURSELF SHE WILL DIE!
IT WILL BE AS IF SHE IS LYING IN A COFFIN BEFORE AN AUDIENCE, THE KNIFE SLOWLY PLUNGING INTO HER...
UNDER-STAND?
AS LONG AS THE HOUR-GLASS IS UPSIDE DOWN, YOUR TIME TO MAKE A DECI-SION WILL RUN OUT. THEN THE MACHINE WILL GET TO WORK!
RUSTLE ...
KER-CHAK ...

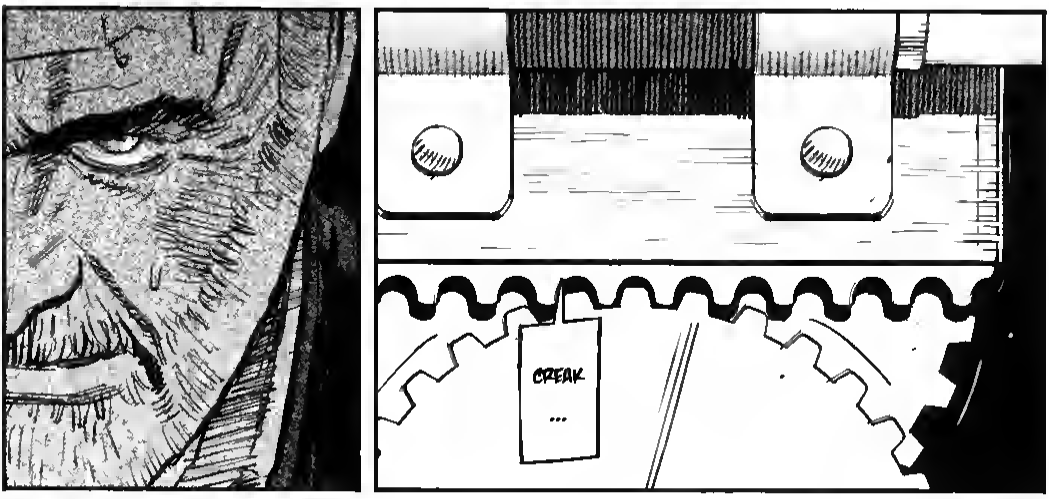

THE MACHINE HAS STARTED, WHETHER YOU DECIDE TO USE MAGIC IS UP TO YOU. HOWEVER, THE LONGER YOU WAIT, THE CLOSER THE BLADE GETS TO REBECCA...


I AM SURPRISED THAT I AM NOT ABLE TO RESIST THIS SITUATION, THE FEAR OF DEATH CONTINUES TO GROW, THE LONGER I WAIT THE CLOSER THAT BLADE COMES TO PIERCING HER...
THAT BLADE WILL INSTANTLY PIERCE AND KILL HER...

WHILE TIME IS RUNNING OUT, THERE'S NOTHING TO DO BUT WELCOME DEATH!

IF REBECCA DIES HOW DO YOU KNOW IF I CAN EVEN BRING HER BACK TO LIFE?
IN THAT CELL YOU ARE POWERLESS TO STOP IT! WHAT WILL YOU DO?
WELL? IF YOU DON'T CAST MAGIC IN TIME THEN SHE WILL DIE, IF YOU WANT TO PREVENT THIS YOU MUST USE YOUR REVERSE TIME MAGIC!


I BELIEVE YOU CAN BRING BACK THE DEAD. YOU DID IT BEFORE DIDN'T YOU?


CREAK
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COME ONE! OLDMAN! I KNOW YOU CAN DO IT!

THIS WILL BE YOUR LAST MAGIC SHOW! LET'S GET IT STARTED!!

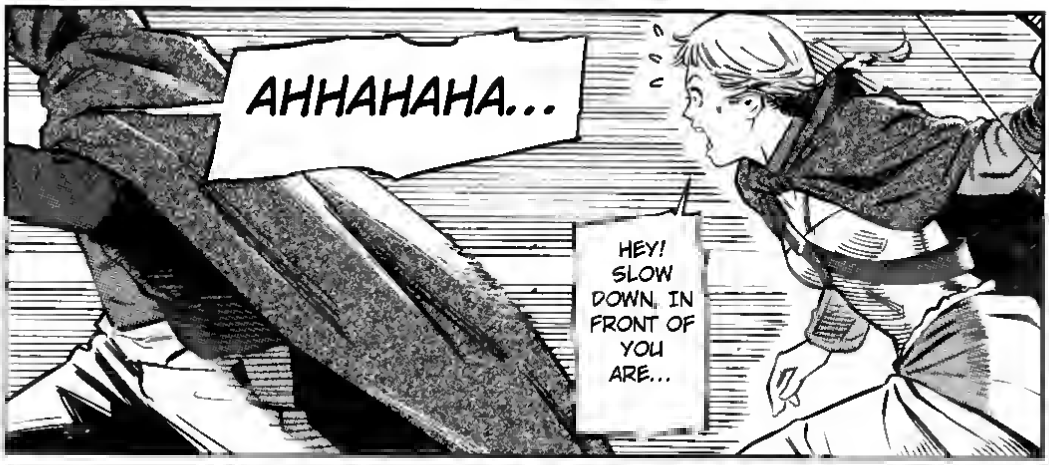
AS YOU WISH ...

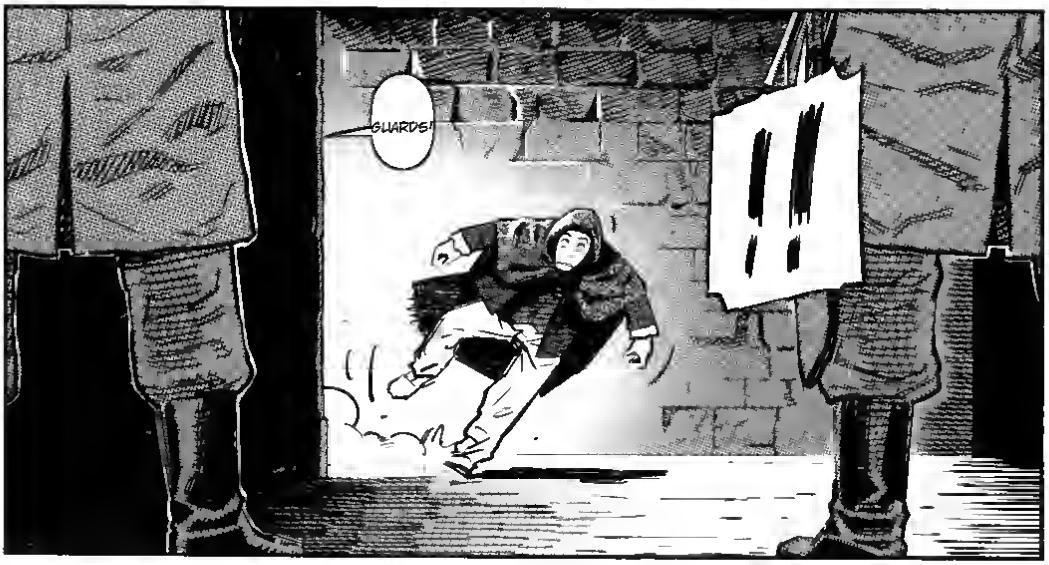
SO BEAUTI-FUL...
AHHAHA HA... I AM NOT THE OLD QUEEN!
WHOOSH!

HAA...ARE YOU SURE THIS IS THE RIGHT WAY?
THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY!

GULP!
...DON'T WORRY REBECCA, I'M COMING TO SAVE YOU!

COME ON! WE'RE GOING TO BE LATE!


AHHAHAHA...
HEY! SLOW DOWN, IN FRONT OF YOU ARE...


GUARDS!
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HALT!
WHO ARE YOU!?

YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS?
A JAIL BREAK?
DON'T MOVE... THIS IS A JAIL BREAK!
FWIP
WHAT? WHO THE HELL ARE YOU? YOU WON'T SUCCEED!
CAN'T YOU SEE? I HAVE A WEAPON!
THAT KNIFE? IT'S NOT A SWORD! UNLESS IT'S INVISIBLE!
I DON'T CARE IF YOU THINK IT'S TOO SMALL! IT'S BEST NOT TO ACT RASHLY!
I SAID THIS IS A JAIL-BREAK, A JAILBREAK!
SWOOSH

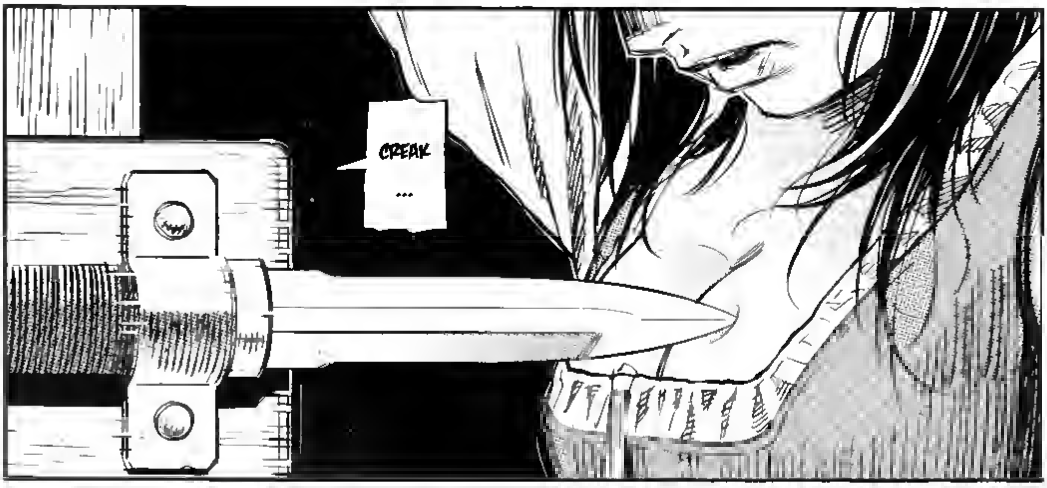
YOU CAN'T WIN!
ENOUGH OF YOUR NON-SENSE!
THUD, THUD!!
HEY!
LET'S GO!

JI!
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
...

JI!
!!!
WHAT IS THIS?
THIS FEELING... IT...IT CAN'T BE!

OLDMAN! WHAT HAVE YOU DONE!?
YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO ME! I AM THE QUEEN...
WHAT KIND OF REVERSE TIME MAGIC IS THIS!?
I'M JUST HERE TO GET WHAT'S MINE! YOU CAN HAVE YOUR OLD FACE BACK!
YOUR MAJESTY ...

STOP THIS AT ONCE! STOP IT!!
YOUR LIFE IS MINE! YOU CAN'T TAKE WHAT YOU DON'T OWN AWAY FROM ME!
I AM THE QUEEN!
RUSTLE ...
THE MAGIC HAS ALREADY BEEN CAST! EVEN IF I WERE TO GIVE YOU ALL OF MY LIFE, IT WOULD NOT END YOUR GREEDY ENDLESS DESIRE FOR YOUTH!


CREAK
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UH
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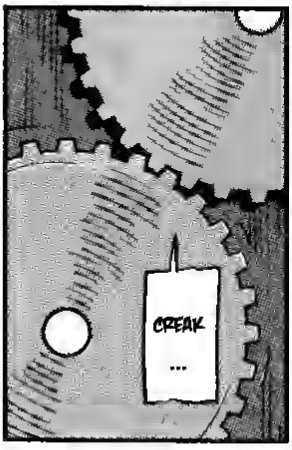
YOU DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME LEFT...

AH... HAHA HAHA ...

THE BLADE IS AN INCH AWAY FROM PIERCING REBECCA, HER LIFE WILL END SOON ENOUGH!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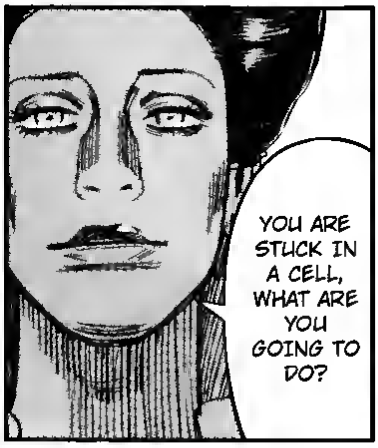
YOU ARE STUCK IN A CELL, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

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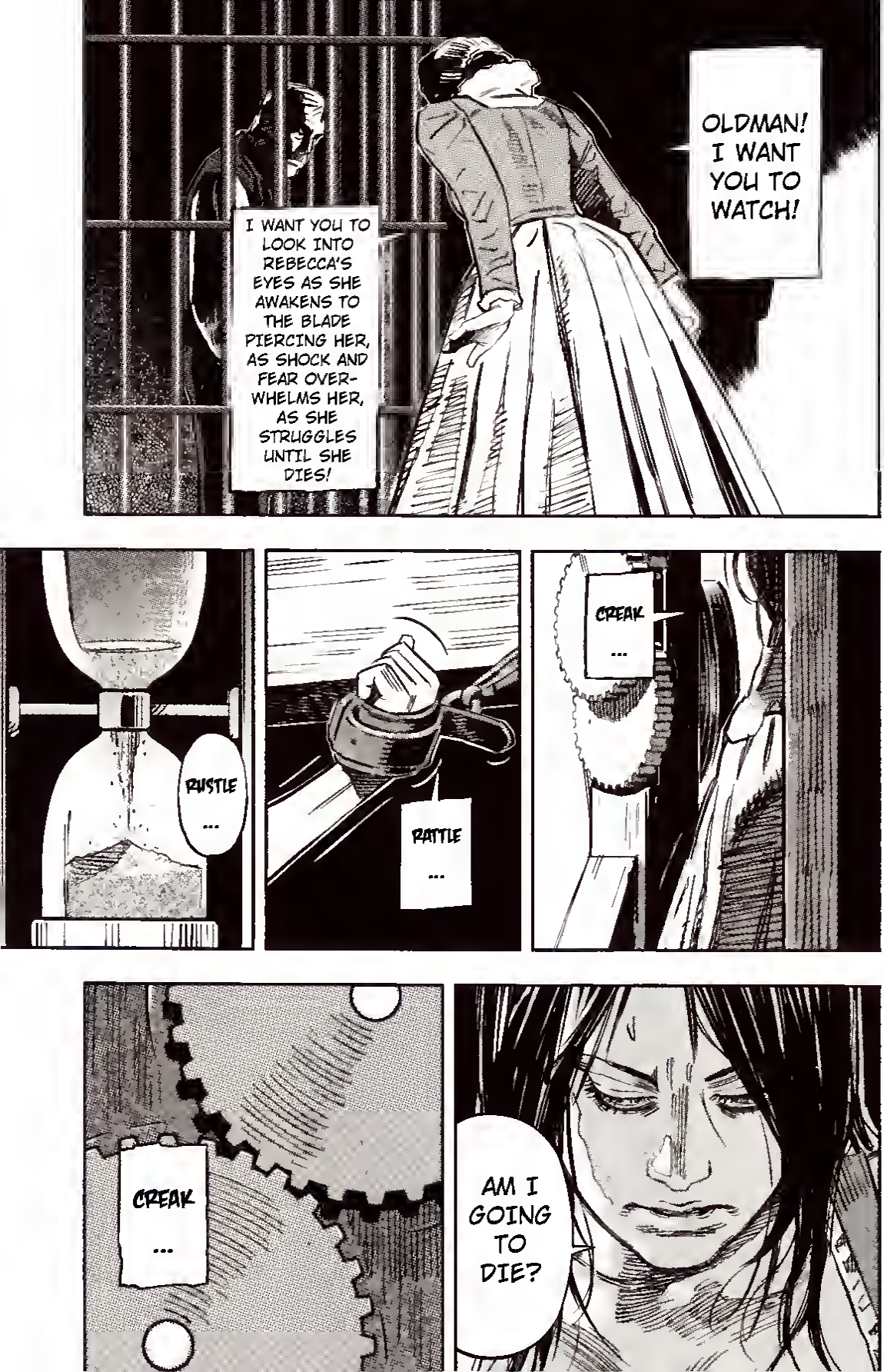
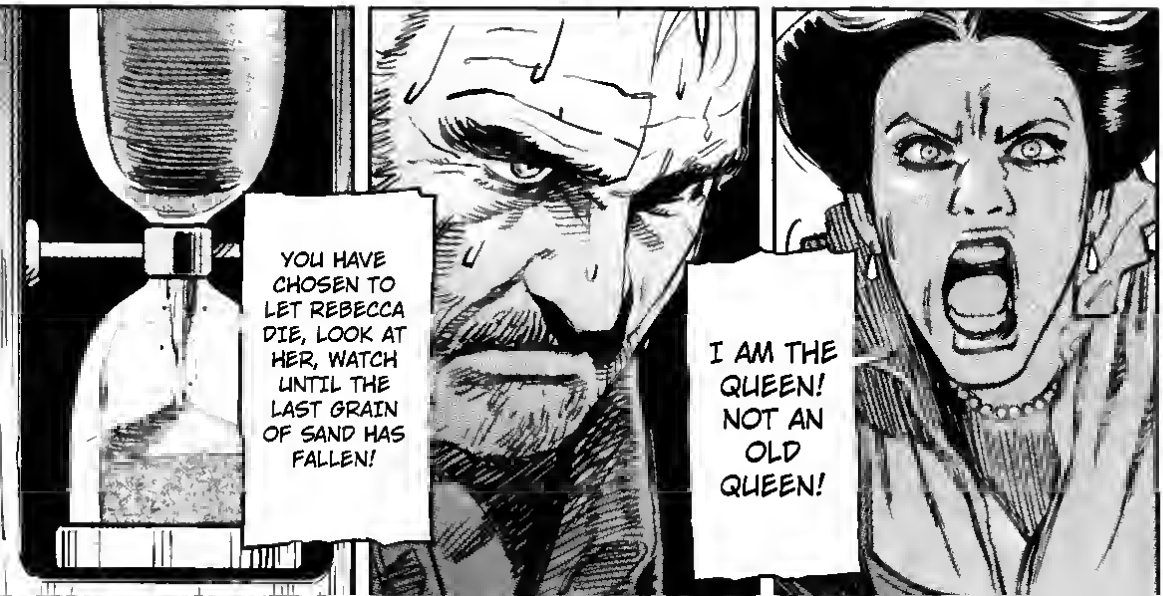
IT
HURTS!
IT...


I WANT YOU TO LOOK INTO REBECCA'S EYES AS SHE AWAKENS TO THE BLADE PIERCING HER, AS SHOCK AND FEAR OVER-WHELMS HER, AS SHE STRUGGLES UNTIL SHE DIES!
OLDMAN! I WANT YOU TO WATCH!
RUSTLE ...
RATTLE ...
CREAK ...
CREAK ...
AM I GOING TO DIE?

AHHH
...

I HAVEN'T LOST! THE THRONE IS STILL MINE! AND REBECCA WILL DIE SOON ENOUGH. DO YOU HONESTLY THINK YOU ARE A THREAT TO ME? I WILL EVENTUALLY HAVE YOUR LIFE!
HAHAHA.. YOU CAN SEE CLEARLY!

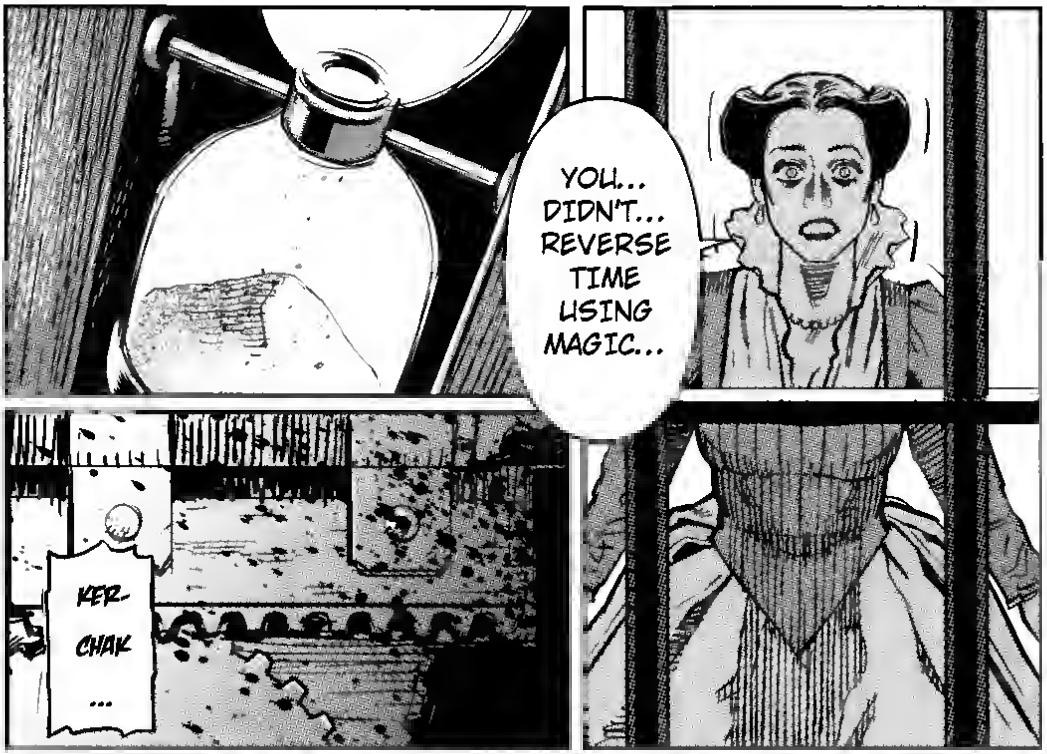
IT HURTS! THAT BLADE IS PIERCING MY CHEST!


YOU HAVE CHOSEN TO LET REBECCA DIE, LOOK AT HER, WATCH UNTIL THE LAST GRAIN OF SAND HAS FALLEN!
I AM THE QUEEN! NOT AN OLD QUEEN!

I CAN'T SAVE HER, I CAN'T!!

ARE YOU IMPLYING ... THAT YOU CAN'T... BRING BACK THE DEAD?
IN THE END, WHAT CAN YOU DO? IT'S GOING TO HAPPEN!

UH!


YOU... DIDN'T... REVERSE TIME USING MAGIC...
KER-CHAK ...

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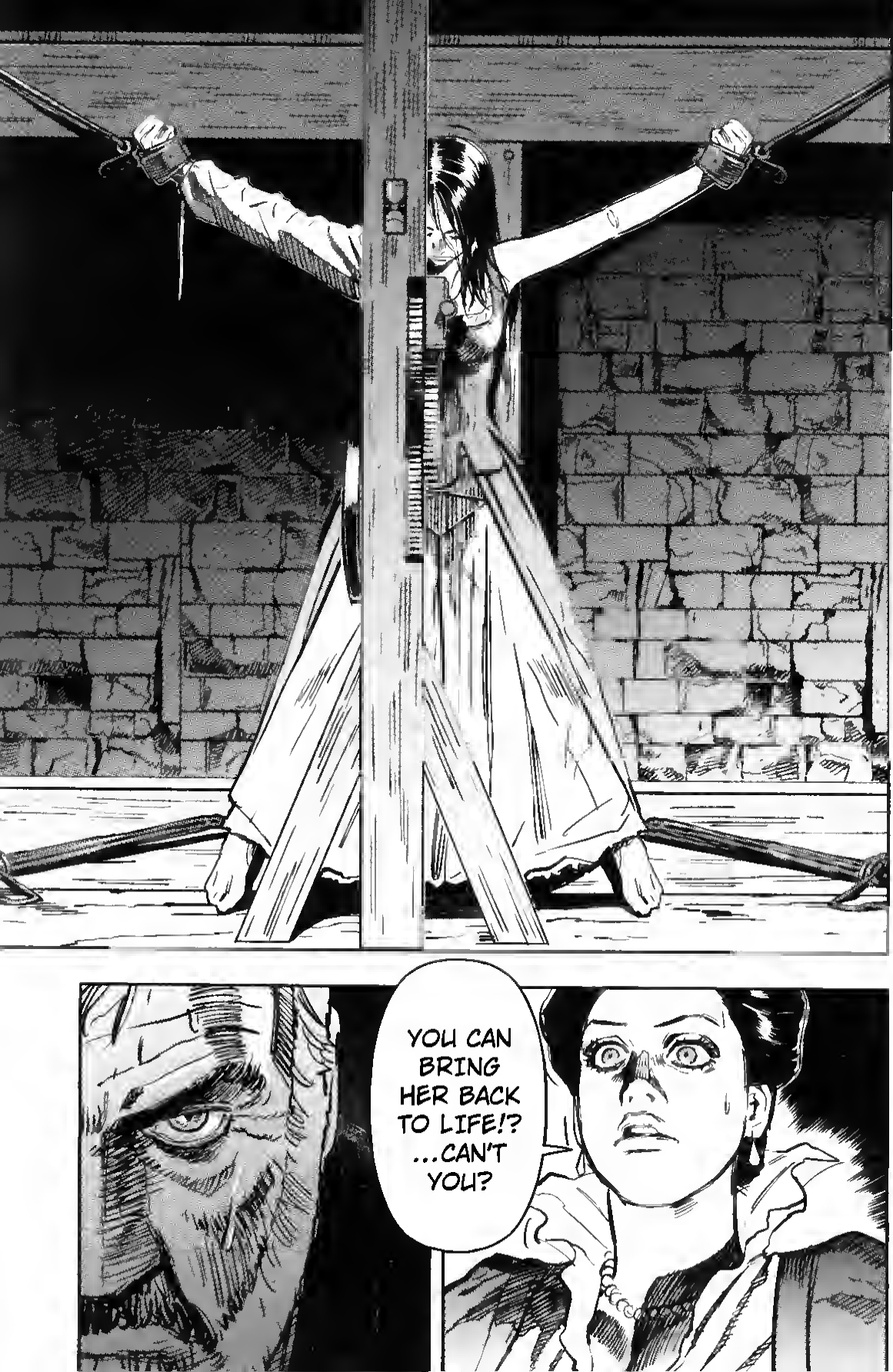
YOU CAN BRING HER BACK TO LIFE!? ...CAN'T YOU?

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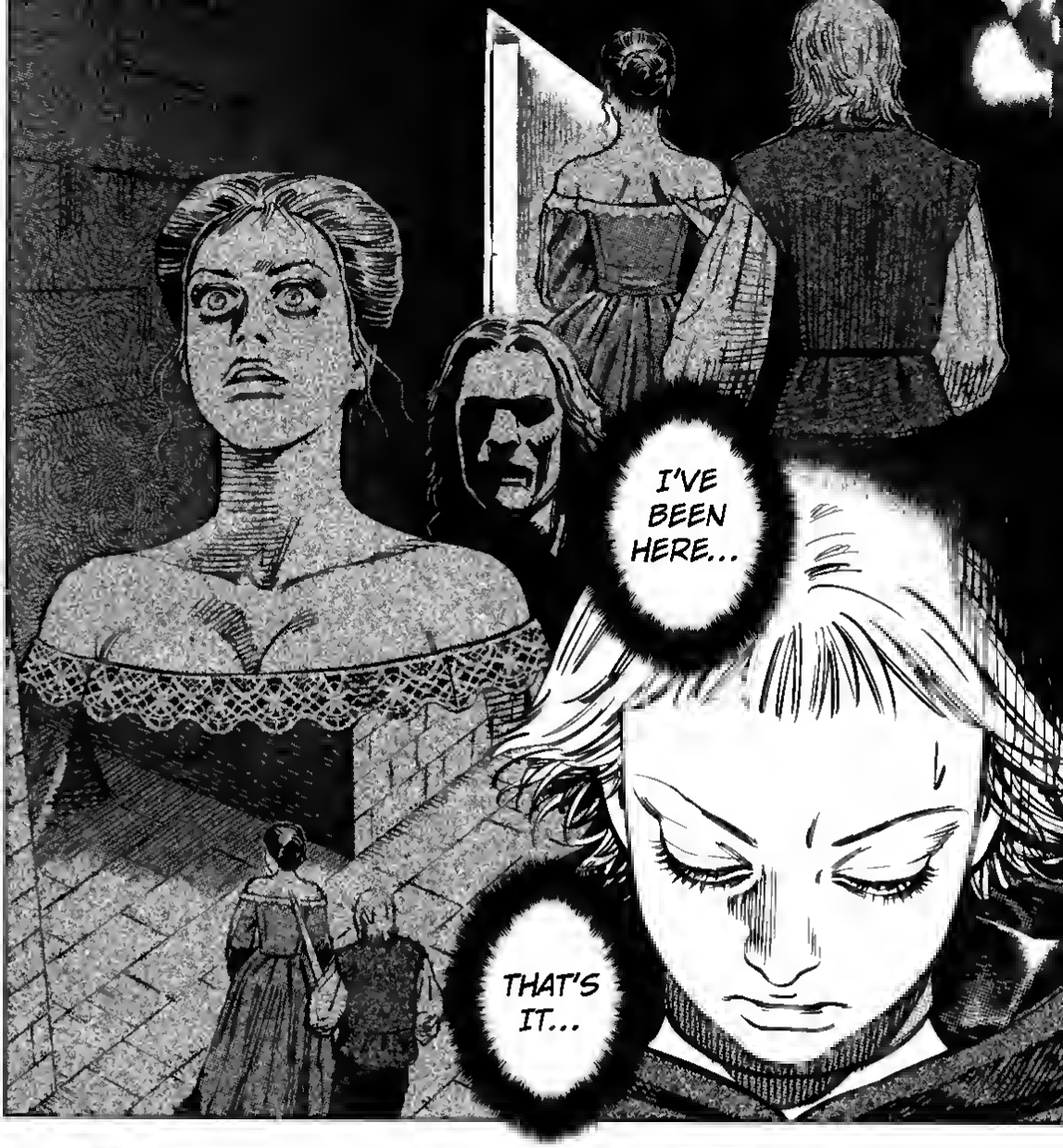
UH! IN FRONT OF...

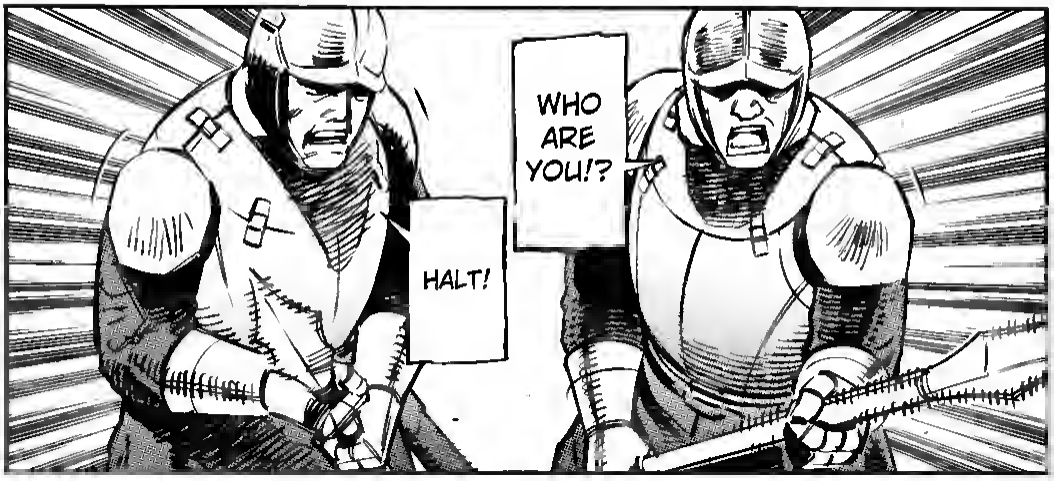
HEY... KNOCK IT OFF! LET ME THINK...
THERE'S A DIVERGING PATH! WHICH ONE SHOULD WE TAKE?

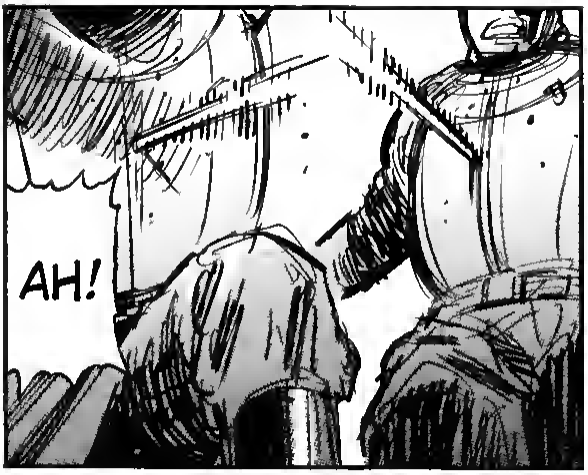
AH! THIS PLACE... I FEEL LIKE... I'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE, HAVE I?


I'VE BEEN HERE...
THAT'S IT...

WE GO LEFT!

YOU'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH! NOW STOP TALKING, I'M TRYING TO REMEMBER!
HOW DO YOU KNOW? HAVE YOU COME THIS WAY BEFORE?
I REMEMBER THE WAY, THERE WAS A MAN WITH AN ARROW IN HIM. HE WAS LYING ON THE GROUND...
IN FRONT OF ME WERE GUARDS!
!!
A GUARD!?


WHO ARE YOU!?
HALT!


AH!

STRUM
.....

I SAW THE ARROWS IN MY MIND, THE GUARDS ON THE FLOOR! I...UH...THIS HAS ALREADY HAPPENED... DAMN... I DON'T KNOW!
MOVE IT!
HOW DID YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHERE THE GUARDS WERE?

CHAPTER 20
OWEN'S DEBUT

REBECCA IS DEAD...
WHY IS THE THOUGHT OF THAT DEAD CAT AND REBECCA FILLING MY MIND?
AND YOU...
CAN'T YOU MAKE THE DEAD COME BACK TO LIFE!?

I.....HAVE I BECOME THAT MUCH OF A THREAT TO YOU? WASN'T BRINING REBECCA BACK TO LIFE PART OF YOUR PLAN?

LOOK AT ME...AREN'T I GETTING OLD? SOON I'LL BE WEAK! IT...IT SHOULDN'T BE LIKE THIS...

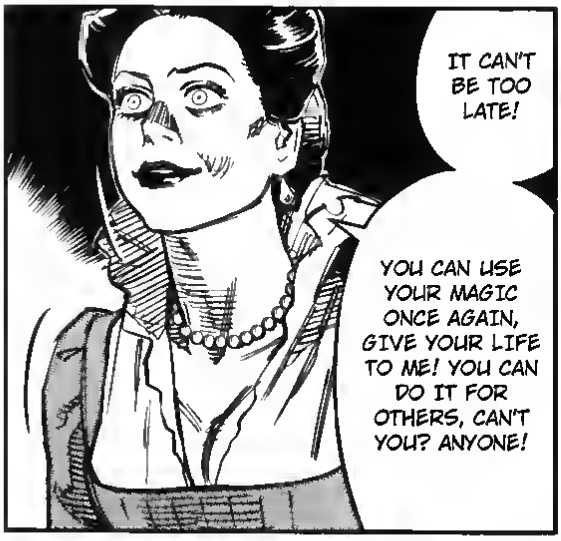
.....

TELL ME! YOU...I PICKED YOU OUT FROM THE GUTTER, I AM THE QUEEN! NOT AN OLD QUEEN!

HOW MUCH LONGER WILL MY YOUNG LOOKS LAST?

NOT IM-
PORTANT!?

MAYBE AFTER DARK...BUT THAT'S NOT IMPORTANT...


IT CAN'T BE TOO LATE!
YOU CAN USE YOUR MAGIC ONCE AGAIN, GIVE YOUR LIFE TO ME! YOU CAN DO IT FOR OTHERS, CAN'T YOU? ANYONE!

THERE MUST BE A WAY, RIGHT?
PLEASE... OLDMAN...

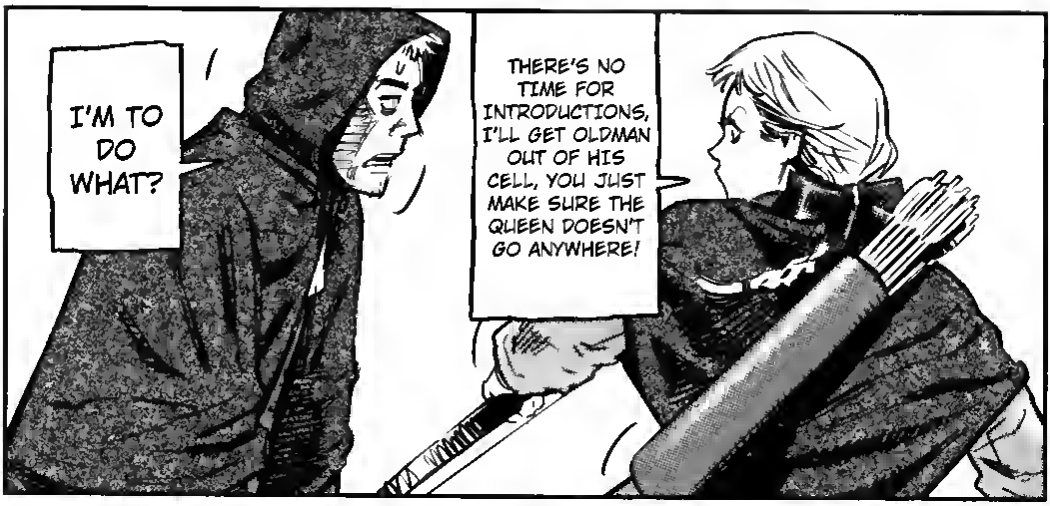
DON'T FORGET YOU ARE STILL IN PRISON, RIGHT NOW, I CAN ORDER THE GUARDS TO COME IN HERE...
I'M NOT CRAZY! GIVE IT TO ME!

YOU'RE CRAZY!

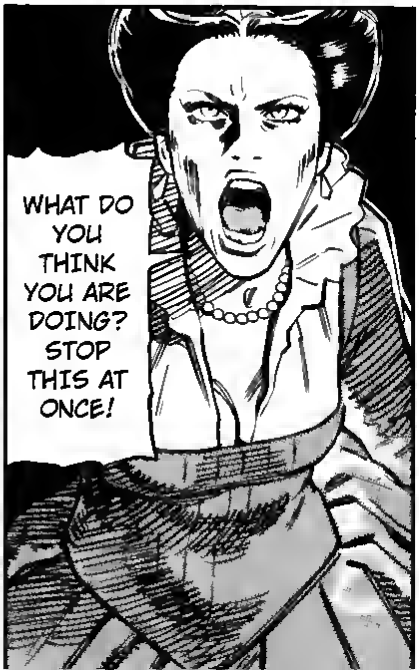
BANG
GUARDS!
I'LL CUT OFF YOUR HEAD!
GUARDS... I ORDER YOU...WHAT THE HELL?

STAY WHERE YOU ARE! HOW DARE YOU!
WHAT'S GOING ON IN HERE? REBECCA...
OLDMAN!
WERE WE TOO LATE!?
REBECCA? IS SHE DEAD?
SHE'S ...

NO...YOU AREN'T GOING ANYWHERE! NO ONE CAN RELEASE YOU WITHOUT MY PERMISSION!
NELEH, GET ME OUT OF HERE!


I'M TO DO WHAT?
THERE'S NO TIME FOR INTRODUCTIONS, I'LL GET OLDMAN OUT OF HIS CELL, YOU JUST MAKE SURE THE QUEEN DOESN'T GO ANYWHERE!

PRETTY SIMPLE? HOW EXACTLY DO I STOP THE QUEEN?
DAMN IT! WAKE UP, USE YOUR WEAPON! STOP HER! OTHERWISE I CAN'T DO ANYTHING!
STOP THE QUEEN! IT'S PRETTY SIMPLE!

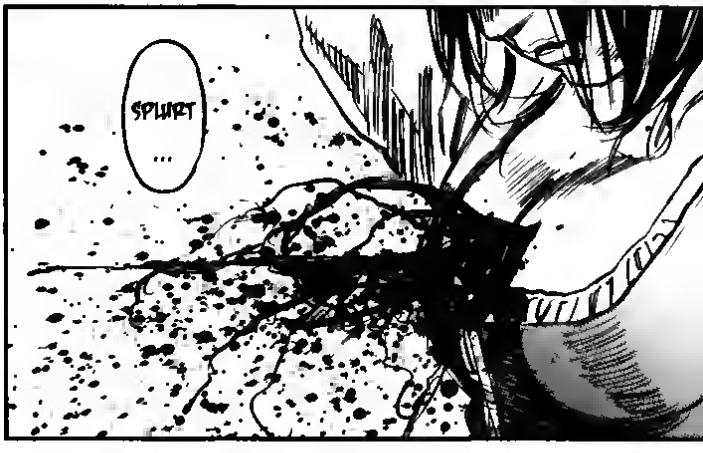

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU ARE DOING? STOP THIS AT ONCE!

BASTARD! WHAT DID YOU SAY?
STEP ASIDE! DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM?
HOLD IT RIGHT THERE, OLD LADY!
BAH! LISTEN ...
D-DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT THIS KNIFE CAN DO? THIS ISN'T CHILD'S PLAY!
I AM THE QUEEN! KNEEL BEFORE ME OR I'LL HAVE YOUR HEAD!
PAY ATTENTION TO HER!
WHAT'S TAKING YOU!?
GOOD GOD! I'M GOING TO BE BEHEADED! COULD YOU HURRY IT UP A LITTLE?
YOU ARE DEAD! GET OUT OF MY WAY!

RATTLE
...
YES... I HOPE WE'RE NOT TOO LATE!
QUICKLY, WE'VE GOT TO SAVE REBECCA!
HEY! CALM DOWN...
WHO ARE YOU!? DID YOU HONESTLY THINK YOU COULD FREE HIM!
YES... BUT NOT WITH PEOPLE!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? DIDN'T YOU MAKE THAT CAT COME BACK TO LIFE?

UGH
...

WHACK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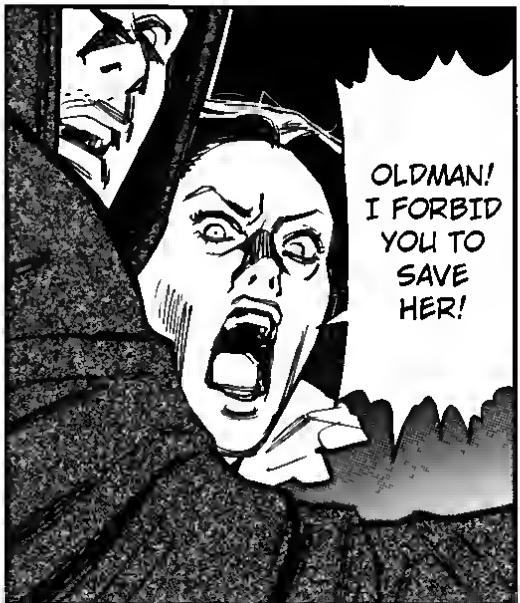

OLDMAN! I FORBID YOU TO SAVE HER!

MY GOD! YOU'VE GOT TO DO IT NOW, REBECCA IS LOSING TOO MUCH BLOOD!
SPLASH
...

OKAY, I'LL TRY!
QUICKLY, SAVE HER!
OUCH! THAT HURT!
YOU BAS-TARD! LET ME GO!
NO ...
AH!

REBECCA
...
WAKE UP
...

HEY! A LITTLE HELP OVER HERE!
MOVE ASIDE!
NO..... YOU CAN'T! IT'S MEANT FOR ME!
REBECCA! WAKE UP!!

HAA
...
WAKE UP!!!

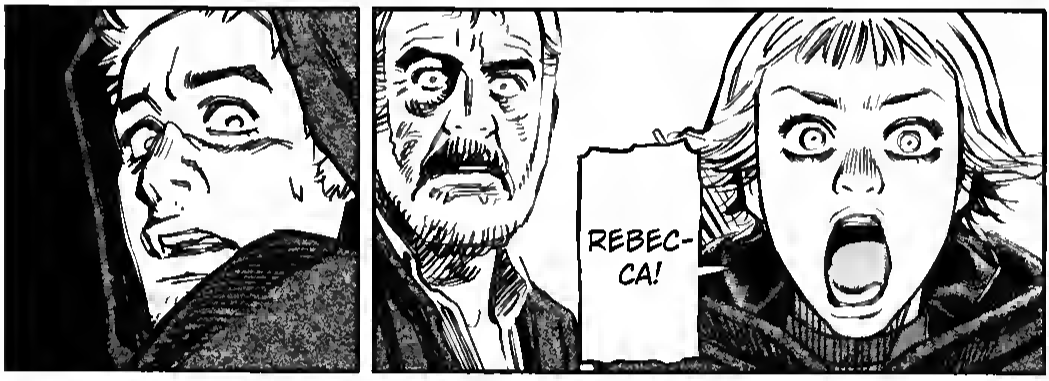
WAS I WRONG? IN A VAGUE BRIEF MOMENT...

AH...
OLDMAN... NELEH...
HAA ...
REBECCA ...
WAS...WAS I REALLY DEAD? THE WOUND IS COMPLETELY GONE!
THE... QUEEN ...
DID I JUST SEE THAT!?

AHH ...
AH!
WHAT'S WRONG, YOUR MAJESTY? YOU LOOK LIKE... YOU'VE SEEN A GHOST.
REBEC-CA!
I AM THE QUEEN! YOU ARE COMMITTING AN ACT OF TREASON! KNEEL NOW AND I'LL FORGIVE YOUR TRANS-GRESSIONS!
NO... STAY AWAY!

.....
A SMALL KNIFE ...
DON'T COME CLOSER!
AHH!
I ORDER YOU TO GO AWAY! DO IT OR ELSE EVERYONE HERE WILL HAVE THEIR HEADS CHOPPED OFF!
GO AWAY!!

I'M GOING... TO KILL YOU!
COMPARED TO WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO ME, I'LL MAKE THINGS RATHER SIMPLE...
GO AWAY? I HAVE ALWAYS IMAGINED THIS DAY, I'VE WAITED A LONG TIME...YOUR MAJESTY, MY REVENGE HAS ONLY BEGUN!


REBEC-CA!

I THANK YOU FOR TAKING AWAY MY LIMBS, NOW I CAN EASILY KILL YOU WITHOUT USING A KNIFE!

SOMEONE ... HELP ME ...
SHUT UP!
HOW DARE YOU ASK FOR HELP. HOW MANY COUNTLESS INNOCENT PEOPLE HAVE CRIED FOR HELP BEFORE BEING EXECUTED?
YOU ARE AN EVIL BLIGHT THAT MUST BE PURGED. ONLY WHEN I'VE HAD MY REVENGE WILL YOU FINALLY REST IN HELL!
GO TO HELL!
SWOOSH

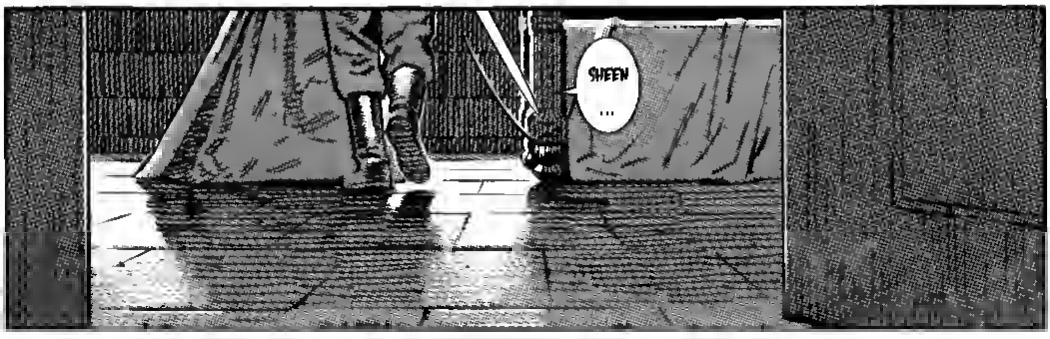
IS...

AH
...

IS THAT IT...?
IF I KILLED YOU, I WOULD ONLY BECOME LIKE YOU...EVEN IF IT WAS FOR MY OWN SELFISH DESIRES. I KNOW THAT WE HAVE TO RESPECT LIFE, AND RESPECT WE MUST BECAUSE THERE IS A GOD, ISN'T THERE?
...NO PERSON SHOULD HAVE THE RIGHT TO TAKE ANOTHER'S LIFE ARBITRARILY...

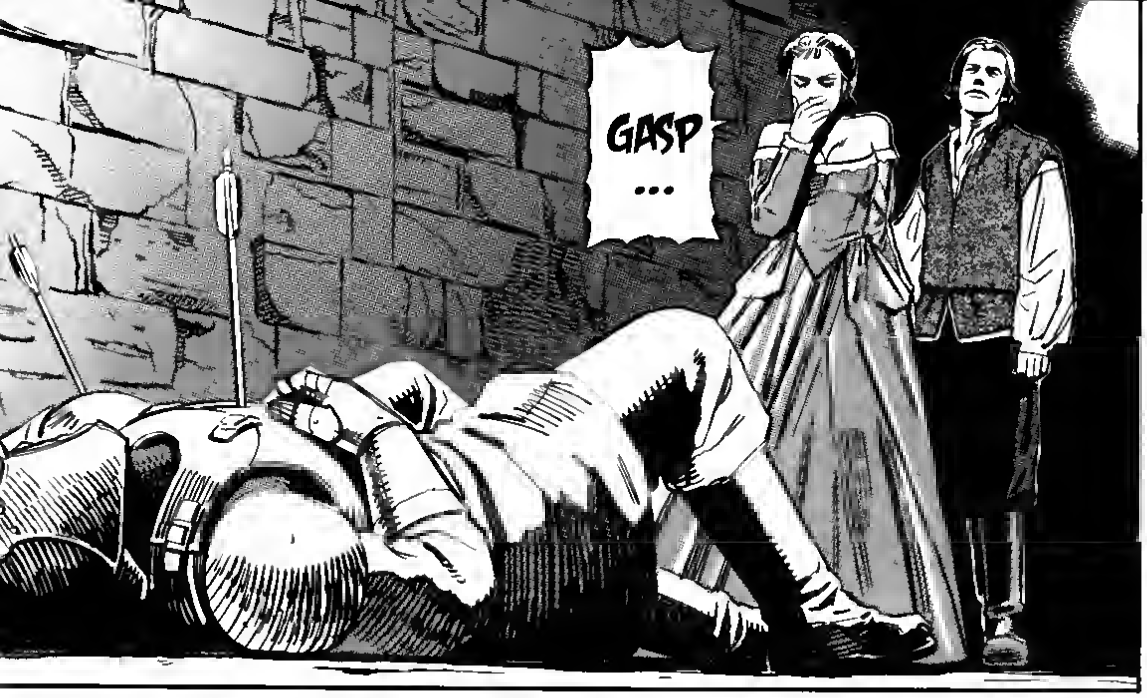
MY ONLY REASON TO LIVE WAS FOR REVENGE, EVERY DAY MY HEART POUNDED BECAUSE OF MY INNER ANGER...
NOW I'M BACK FROM THE DEAD...I UNDERSTAND NOW, WE MUSTN'T LOSE IT ALL...
BECAUSE I'VE GOT FAMILY AND FRIENDS!
BAH! IS THAT ALL? WHAT ARE FRIENDS WHEN YOU CAN CUT OFF THEIR HEADS!
YOUR MAJESTY, I DON' WANT TO KILL YOU... I WANT TO FORGIVE YOU...
YOU ARE TOO OLD, TOO SAD...

IF THE ENTIRE WORLD THOUGHT LIKE THAT, I WOULD HAVE LOST LONG AGO, WOULDN'T I?


SHEEN
...

HELEN!
COME ON! THE TIME HAS COME FOR YOU TO PLAY THE PART!

OWEN, WHERE THE HELL ARE YOU TAKING ME?
MOVE IT!
YOU'LL FIND OUT SOON ENOUGH! I'M JUST HELPING OUT A FRIEND OF OURS!
GO LEFT!
AH!


GASP
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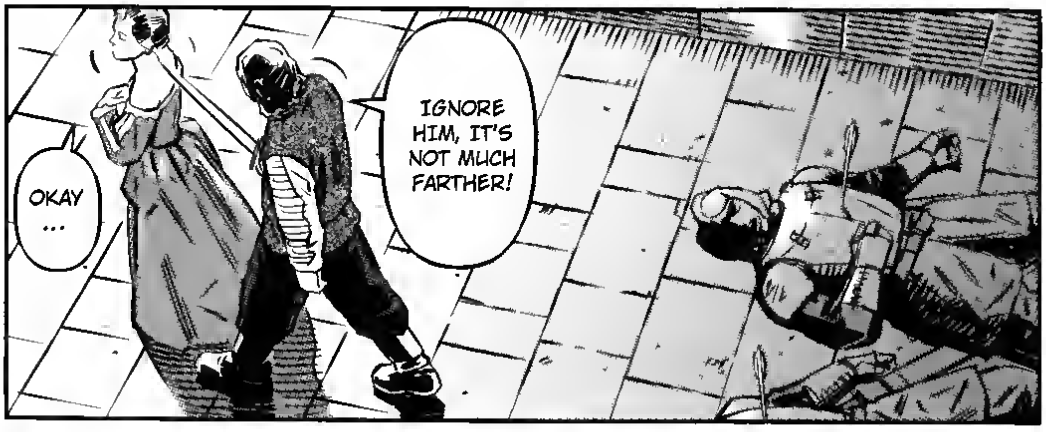
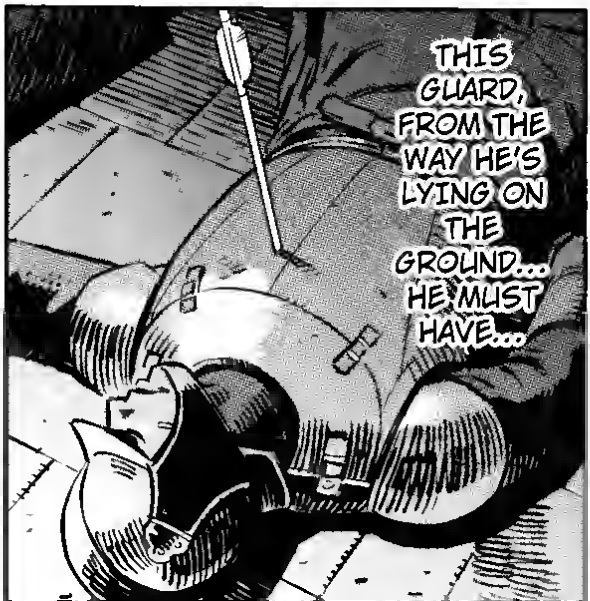
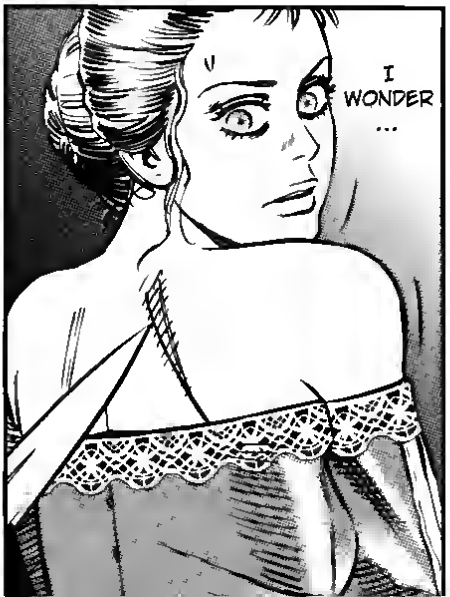
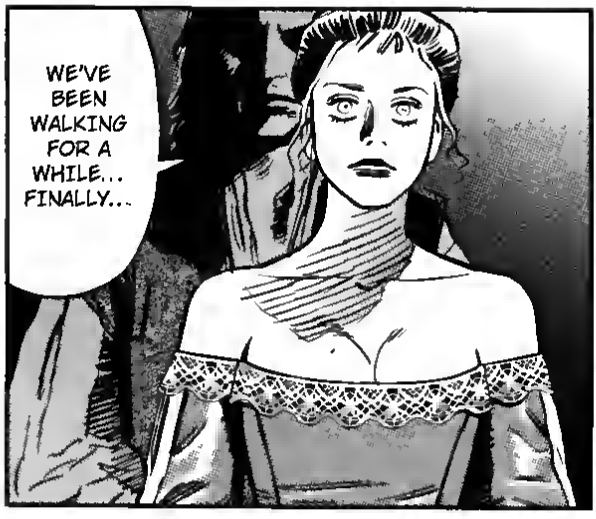
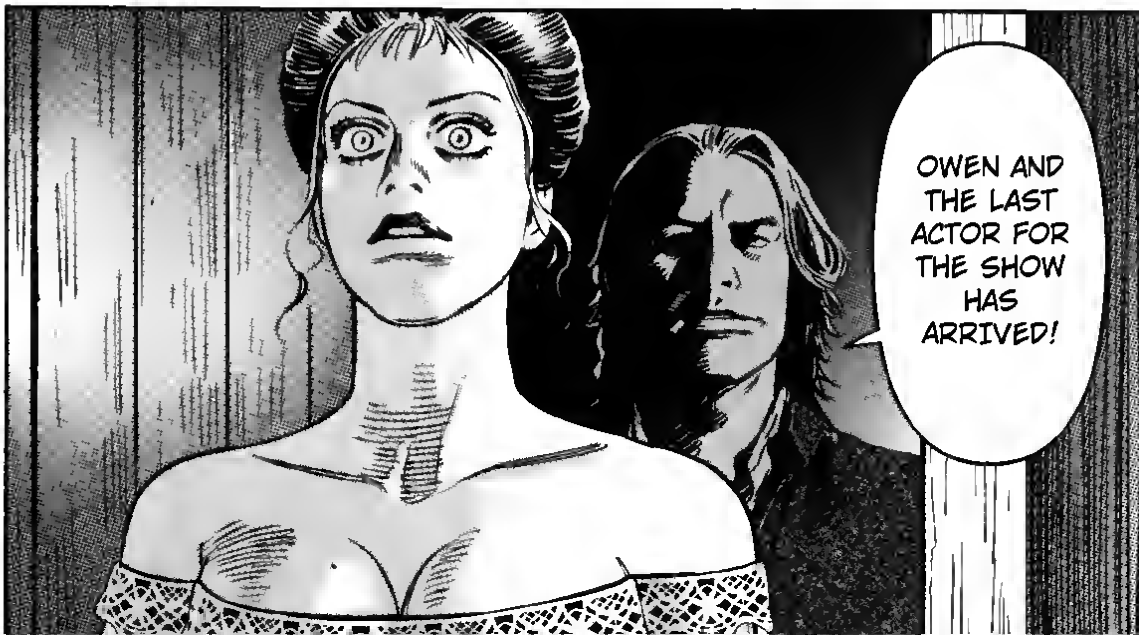

IGNORE HIM, IT'S NOT MUCH FARTHER!
OKAY ...


THIS GUARD, FROM THE WAY HE'S LYING ON THE GROUND... HE MUST HAVE...


I WONDER ...


WE'VE BEEN WALKING FOR A WHILE... FINALLY...

GO IN THAT DOOR!


OWEN AND THE LAST ACTOR FOR THE SHOW HAS ARRIVED!

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YOU KNOW... THE BIG STARS ALWAYS ARRIVE LATE!

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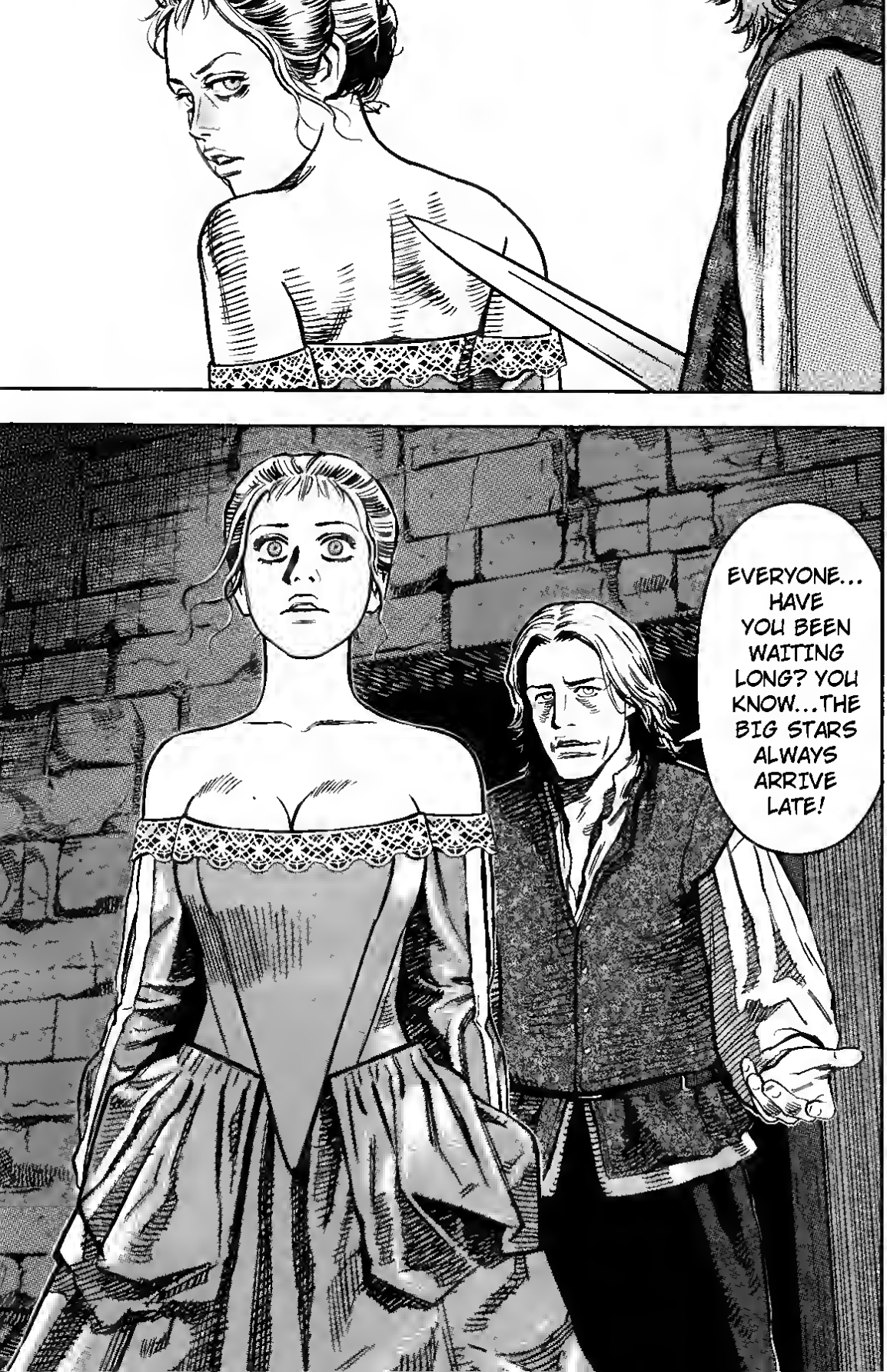
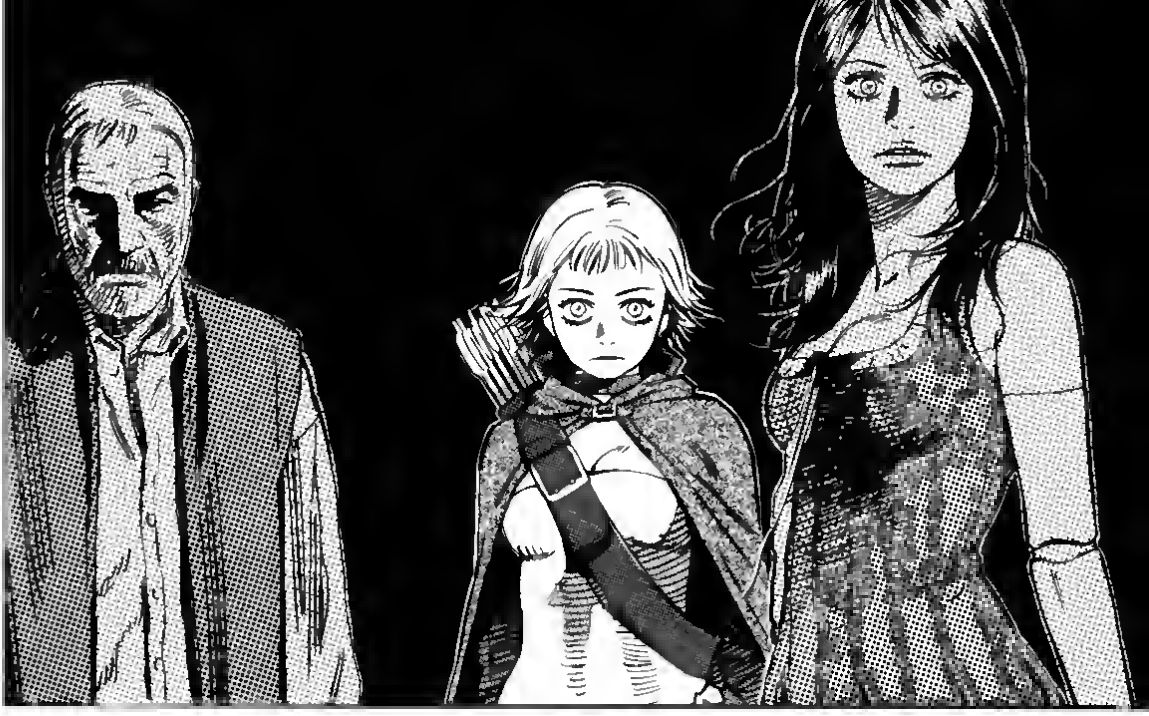
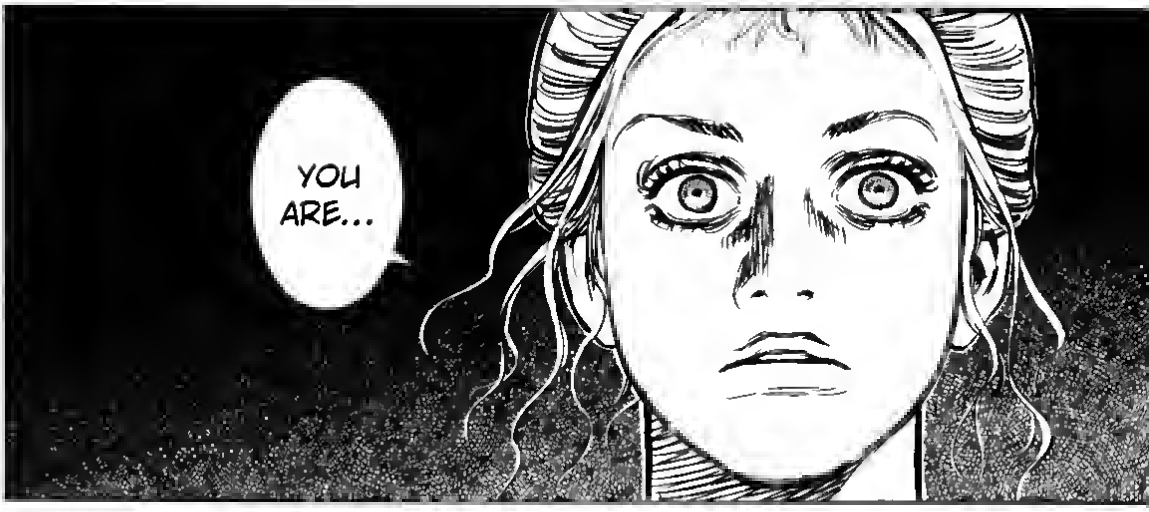

EVERYONE... HAVE YOU BEEN WAITING LONG? YOU KNOW...THE BIG STARS ALWAYS ARRIVE LATE!

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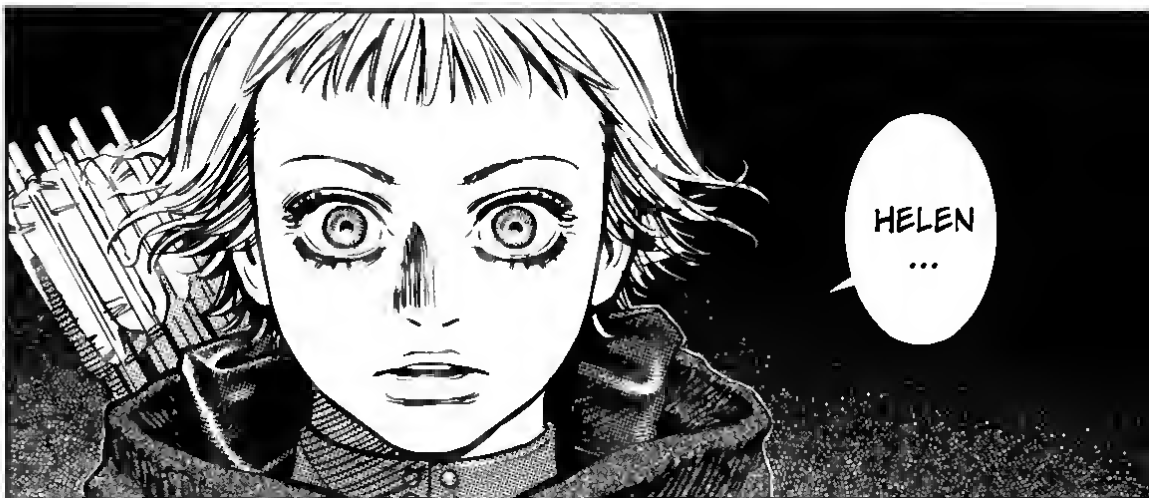
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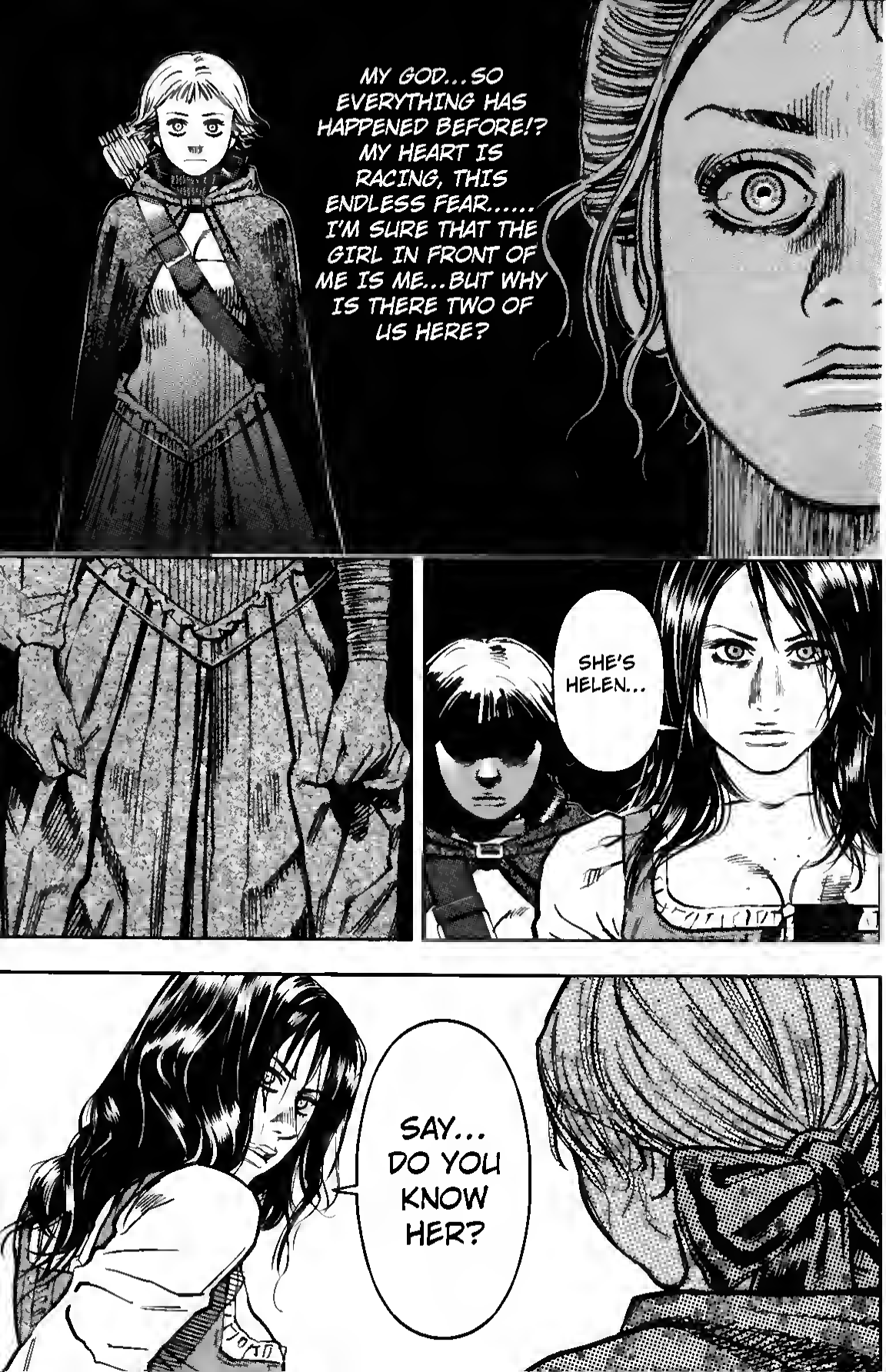
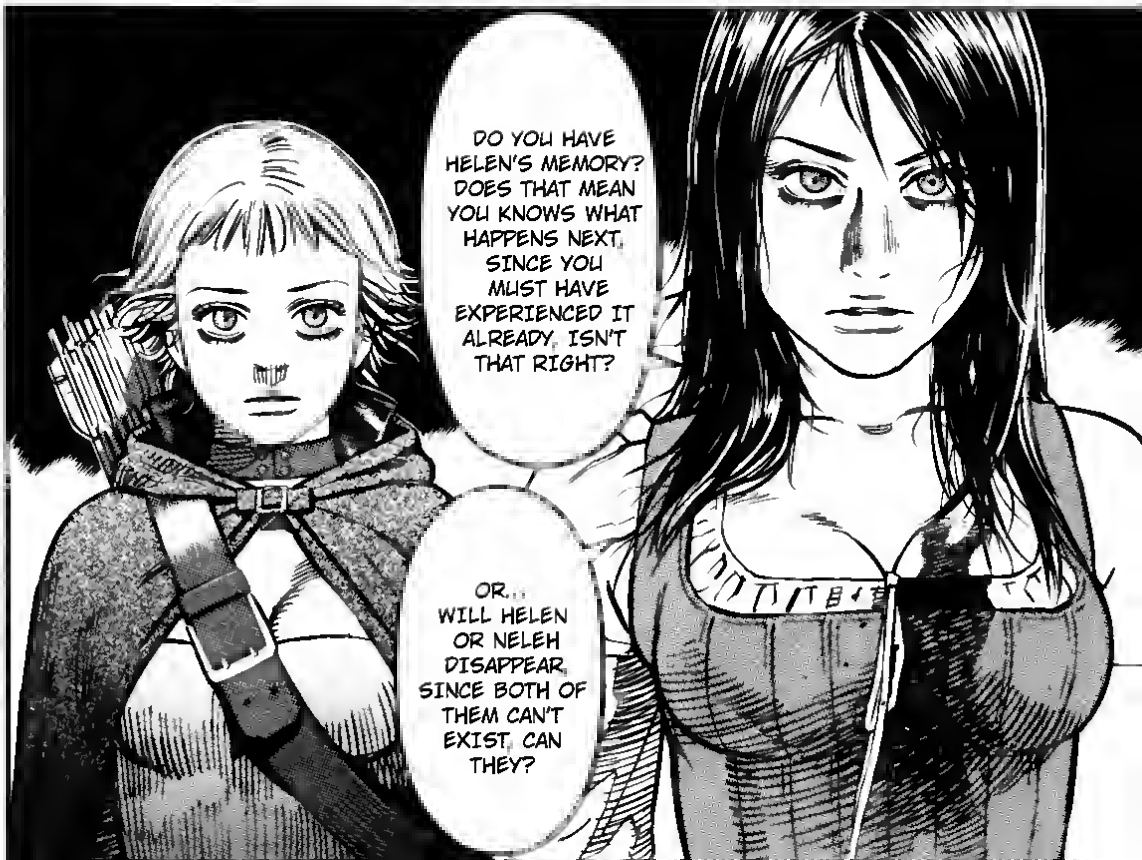

MY GOD...SO EVERYTHING HAS HAPPENED BEFORE!? MY HEART IS RACING, THIS ENDLESS FEAR..... I'M SURE THAT THE GIRL IN FRONT OF ME IS ME...BUT WHY IS THERE TWO OF US HERE?
SHE'S HELEN..
SAY... DO YOU KNOW HER?

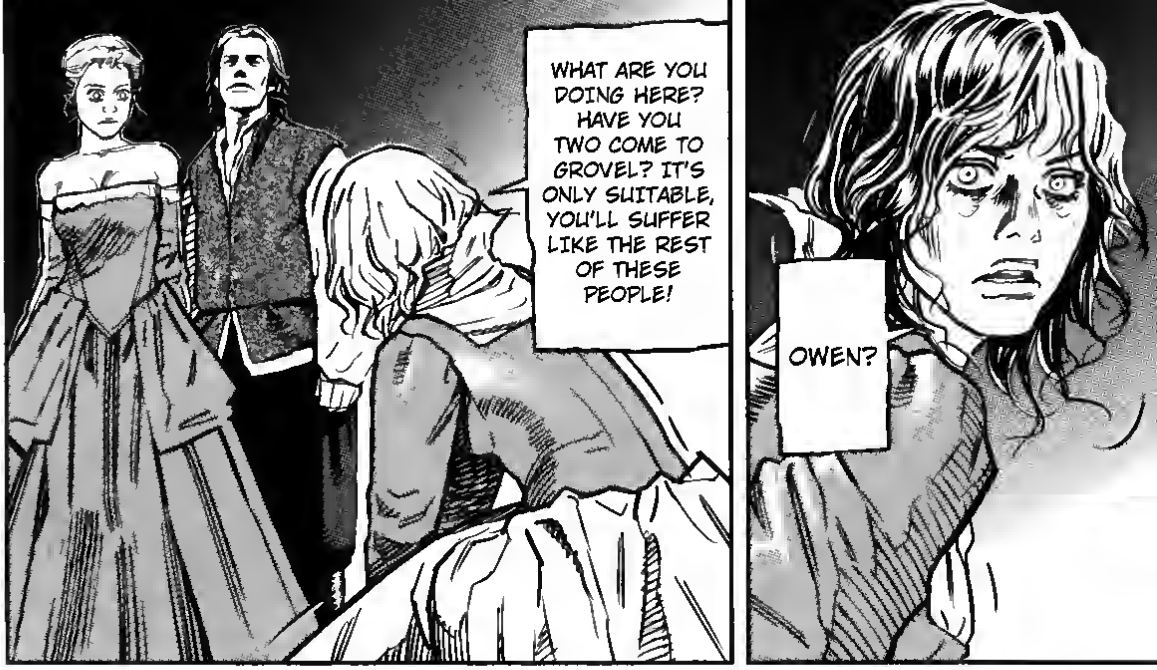
AN ARROW!
WHEN I SAW HELEN I UNDERSTOOD...
YOU HAVE BEEN HELEN ALL ALONG! NELEH WAS JUST A FICTIONAL CHARACTER, SHE DOESN'T EXIST! ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
THE REASON I APPEARED HERE...MY MISSION...
HELEN
SO NELEH AND HELEN ARE THE SAME? SO THAT'S WHY...
I REMEMBER THE PLACE, OR SHOULD I SAY... I REMEMBER!
GUARDS!
HOW DO YOU KNOW? HAVE YOU COME THIS WAY BEFORE?

HELEN...
I WANT YOU TO LISTEN CAREFULLY TO EVERY WORD I SAY, YOU MUST NOT FORGET IT!
OLDMAN BADLY WANTED TO BREAK INTO THE CASTLE HE WAS LOOKING FOR ...HELEN!
IT'S TERRIBLE, DANGER IS COMING!
ALL OF THIS IS JUST UNBELIEVABLE. I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW EXACTLY IT HAPPENED! AND I COULDN'T TELL YOU THAT I WAS FROM THE FUTURE. I KNEW THAT WOULD ONLY MAKE MATTERS WORSE!
OUT OF DESPERATION, I JUST REVERSED HELEN'S NAME, I CREATED A FICTIONAL CHARACTER CALLED NELEH!
I WAS THE SO-CALLED GIRL OF PROPHECIES... BUT MY FORE-SIGHT WAS ONLY LIMITED TO HELEN'S MEMORIES...
NELEN
NELEH, MY NAME IS NELEH!

I REMEMBER... I SAW IT WITH MY EYES... IT'S GETTING CLEARER, BUT IT'S STILL VAGUE, MY HEARTBEAT IS GETTING FASTER, IT FEELS AS IF IT'S DETACHED FROM REALITY, A SHADOW IS COMING OVER MY EYES, I CAN ONLY HEAR MY HEARTBEAT... I WONDER, WHAT IS REALLY GOING TO HAPPEN?


DO YOU HAVE HELEN'S MEMORY? DOES THAT MEAN YOU KNOWS WHAT HAPPENS NEXT, SINCE YOU MUST HAVE EXPERIENCED IT ALREADY, ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
OR... WILL HELEN OR NELEH DISAPPEAR, SINCE BOTH OF THEM CAN'T EXIST, CAN THEY?

CHAPTER 21
A YOUTH REBORN IN THE PAST


WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? HAVE YOU TWO COME TO GROVEL? IT'S ONLY SUITABLE, YOU'LL SUFFER LIKE THE REST OF THESE PEOPLE!
OWEN?

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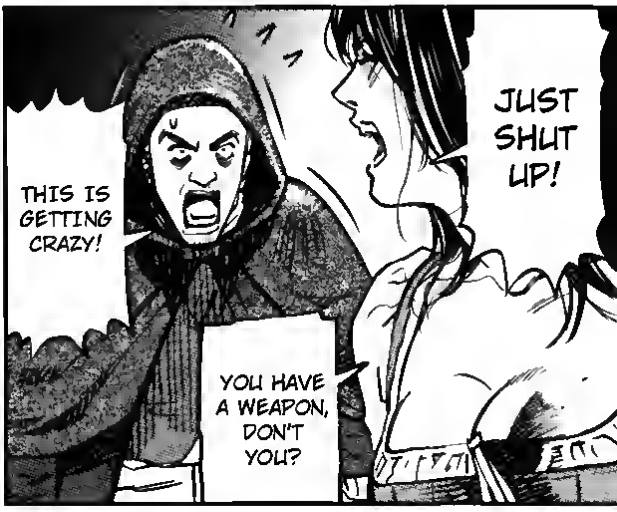
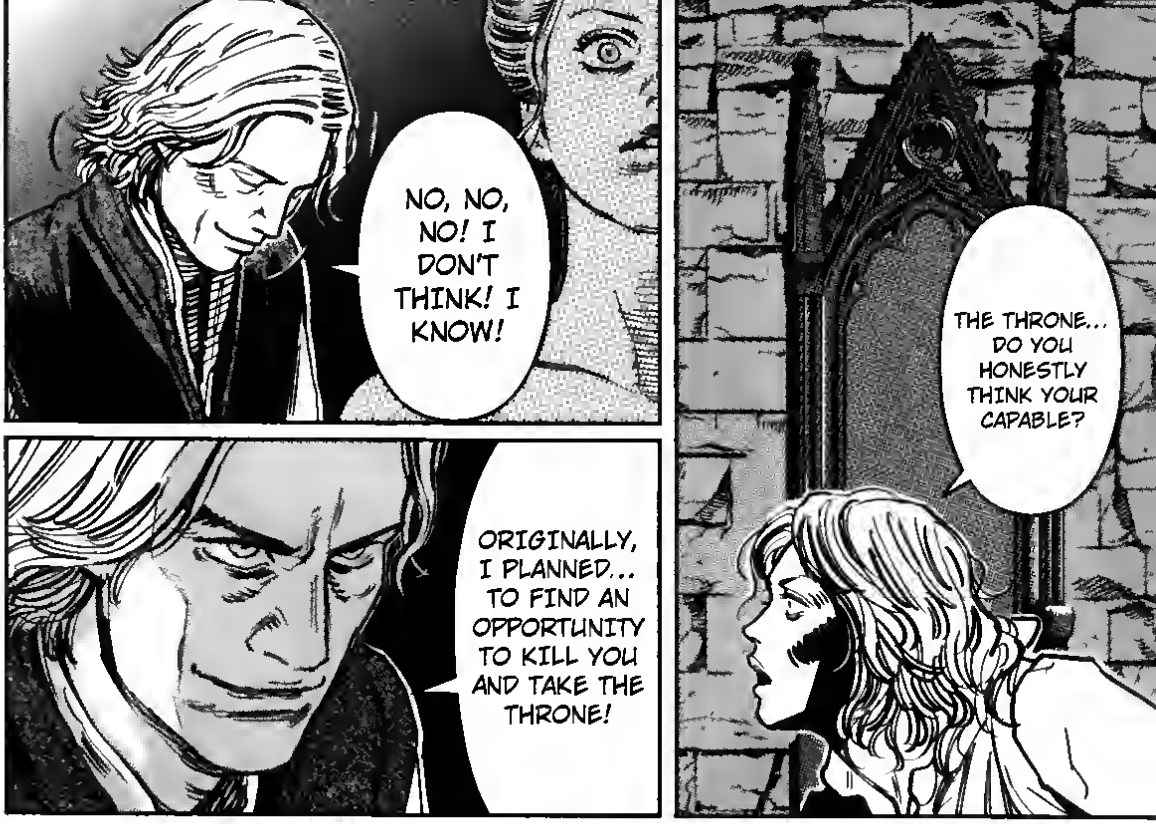

JUST SHUT UP!
THIS IS GETTING CRAZY!
YOU HAVE A WEAPON, DON'T YOU?

IT'S THE END FOR YOU!

HAHA.. YOU SEEM AFRAID, MOTHER...

LOOK AT THE SITUATION YOU ARE IN RIGHT NOW! YOU ARE ABOUT TO LOSE ALL OF YOUR YOUTH. YOU HAVE NO POWER IN THIS TORTURE CHAMBER. YOU ARE IN FACT TRAPPED IN YOUR OWN CAGE!
I THINK YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG IDEA! HAVE YOU LET BEING THE QUEEN GO TO YOUR HEAD?
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
DO YOU WANT YOUR LIFE TO END? OWEN! I ORDER YOU TO HELP ME!
I AM THE ONE AND ONLY SUCCESSOR TO THE THRONE!
YOU... ARE OLD!
TWENTY YEARS AGO, YOU MADE A COMMIT-MENT TO THE PEOPLE...


NO, NO, NO! I DON'T THINK! I KNOW!
THE THRONE... DO YOU HONESTLY THINK YOUR CAPABLE?
ORIGINALLY, I PLANNED... TO FIND AN OPPORTUNITY TO KILL YOU AND TAKE THE THRONE!

YOU...
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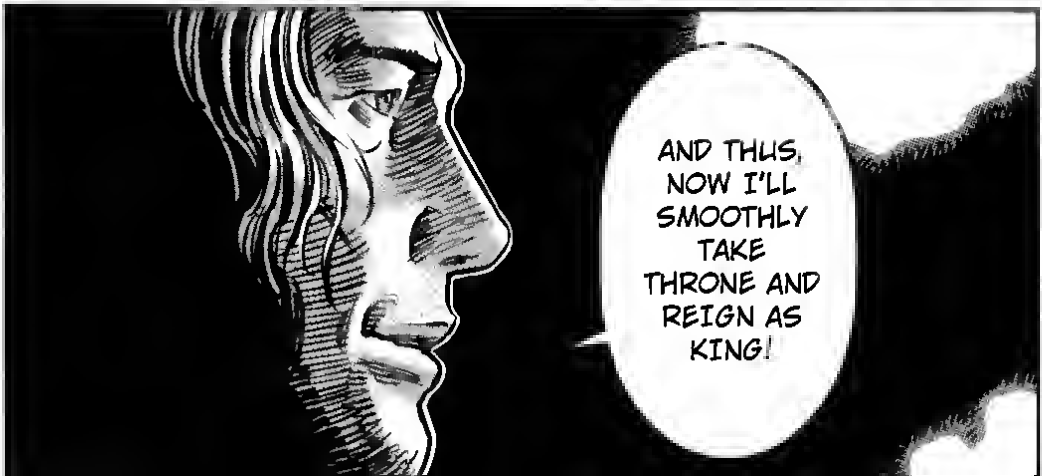
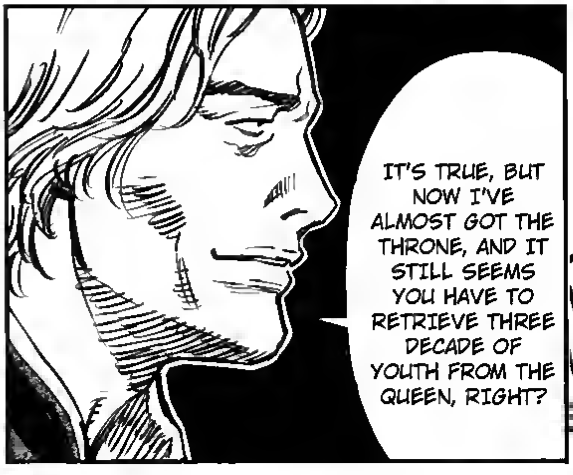

AND THUS, NOW I'LL SMOOTHLY TAKE THRONE AND REIGN AS KING!

UNFORTU-
NATELY, I
KNOW YOU
WON'T LIKE
THIS!
WITH THAT
BEING SAID...
I HONESTLY DO
NOT GIVE A DAMN
IF YOU PLEAD FOR
SOMEONE TO SAVE
YOU, NO ONE WILL
HELP YOU! SO
PLEASE SHUT
YOUR MOUTH!
ALTHOUGH YOU
ARE STILL
ALIVE...YOU
ARE PROBABLY
FULL OF
DESPAIR AND
WEAKNESS, AM
I RIGHT?
PLEASE
...
DE-
SPAIR?
DO YOU
UNDERSTAND?
OLD WOMAN! NOW
YOU CAN KEEP
YOUR MOUTH
SHUT, YOU'LL
WAIT UNTIL THE
DAY UNTIL YOU
GET YOUR OLD
FACE BACK
AGAIN...
STOP
IT!

NOW TELL ME, WHY HAVE YOU KIDNAPPED HELEN?
ENOUGH!
OWEN! THE THRONE IS IN YOUR HANDS!

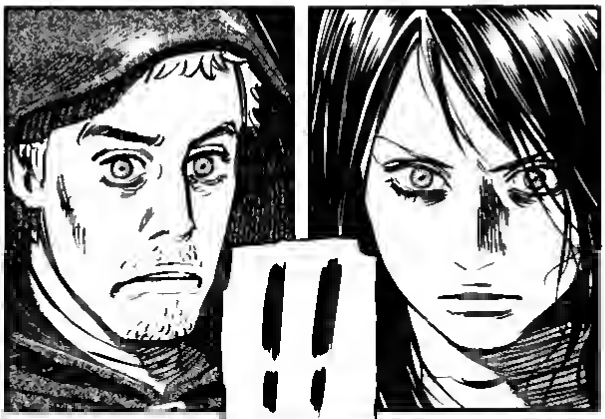
I'LL MAKE THIS CLEAR, FROM THE BEGINNING... WHY DID I HAVE TO SUFFER ALONG WITH YOU?


IT'S TRUE, BUT NOW I'VE ALMOST GOT THE THRONE, AND IT STILL SEEMS YOU HAVE TO RETRIEVE THREE DECADE OF YOUTH FROM THE QUEEN, RIGHT?

OH...EIDE... MY DEAR BROTHER EIDE!
IN THOSE DAYS, I HONESTLY DIDN'T LIKE BEING SANDWICHED IN BETWEEN YOU AND THE QUEEN. BOTH OF YOU COMPLETELY IGNORED ME, ISN'T THAT RIGHT?

I WON'T BE GREEDY, GIVE ME TEN YEARS OF YOUR LIFE!
I OFFER YOU A BARGAIN! EIDE!

YOU... ARE YOU CRAZY? WHAT ARE YOU THINKING?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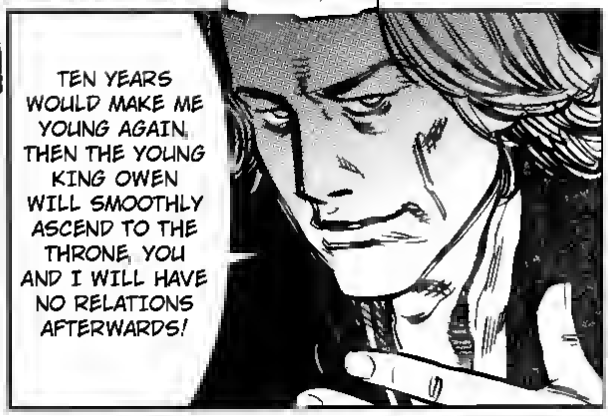
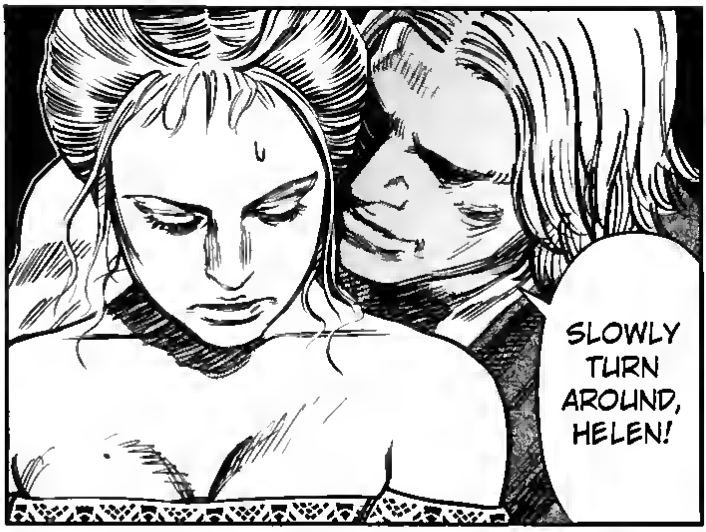

TEN YEARS WOULD MAKE ME YOUNG AGAIN, THEN THE YOUNG KING OWEN WILL SMOOTHLY ASCEND TO THE THRONE, YOU AND I WILL HAVE NO RELATIONS AFTERWARDS!

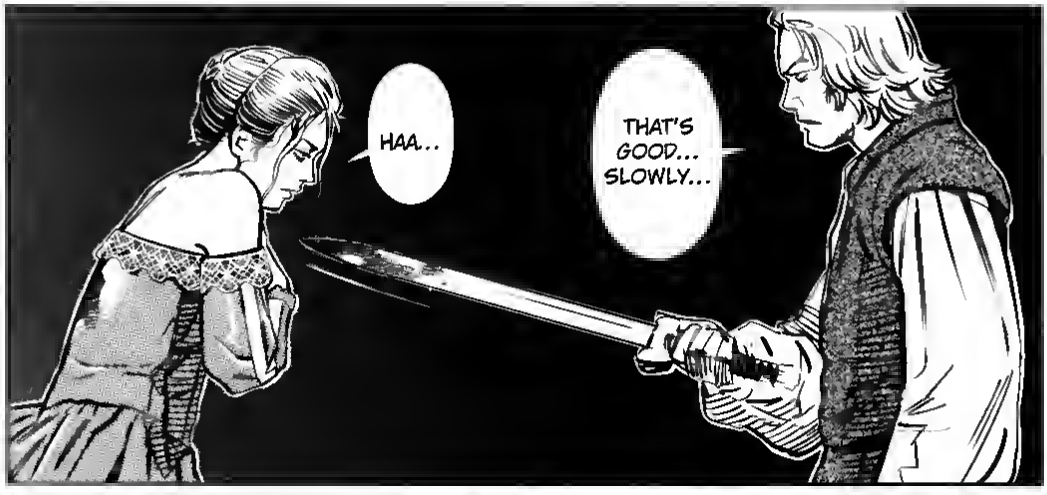
COME ON!
EIDE'S DOING ANOTHER MAGIC SHOW!
NO MATTER HOW BIG OR SMALL YOU ARE, IT ALL WORKS OUT THE SAME! IT ALL FIRST STARTED WHEN YOU CAME TO THE ORPHANAGE!
I AM NOT CRAZY!
AH!
YOU CAN HAVE THIS BREAD IF I LOSE! BUT I GET TO BEAT YOU UP IF I WIN!
IN THE EYES OF EVERYONE IT SEEMED I WAS BULLYING YOU, YOU OF ALL PEOPLE! EVEN THOUGH NO ONE EVER PAY ATTENTION TO ME!

YOU WERE ORIGI-NALLY A MAGICIAN! HMPH! A GIMMICK!
IN FACT, THAT'S WHY I BULLIED PEOPLE!
EIDE! HOW DO YOU THINK I FEEL LIVING IN YOUR SHADOW OF HUMILIA-TION AND DECEIT!
WHY WERE YOU ALWAYS POPULAR AND NOT ME? WHY DO YOU HAVE THE POWER TO CONTROL MAGIC AND NOT ME? WHY WAS HELEN WITH YOU AND NOT ME?
I'VE ALWAYS LOST TO YOU EIDE! BUT NO MORE! NOW YOU'LL LOSE TO THE HANDS OF OWEN!
A FUTURE SUCCESSOR TO THE THRONE HAS BEEN BORN!

ALL ALONG, YOU'VE WANTED TO BECAME KING AND GAIN POWER. YOU HAVE SUCCUMBED TO YOUR SELFISH DESIRES!
YOU DID NOT LOSE TO ME! OWEN! YOU HAVE YOURSELF TO BLAME!
I WANT TO BE THE KING! THE ONLY AND ONLY KING!
AH!
DON'T DOUBT MY RESOLVE! EIDE!


SLOWLY TURN AROUND, HELEN!

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?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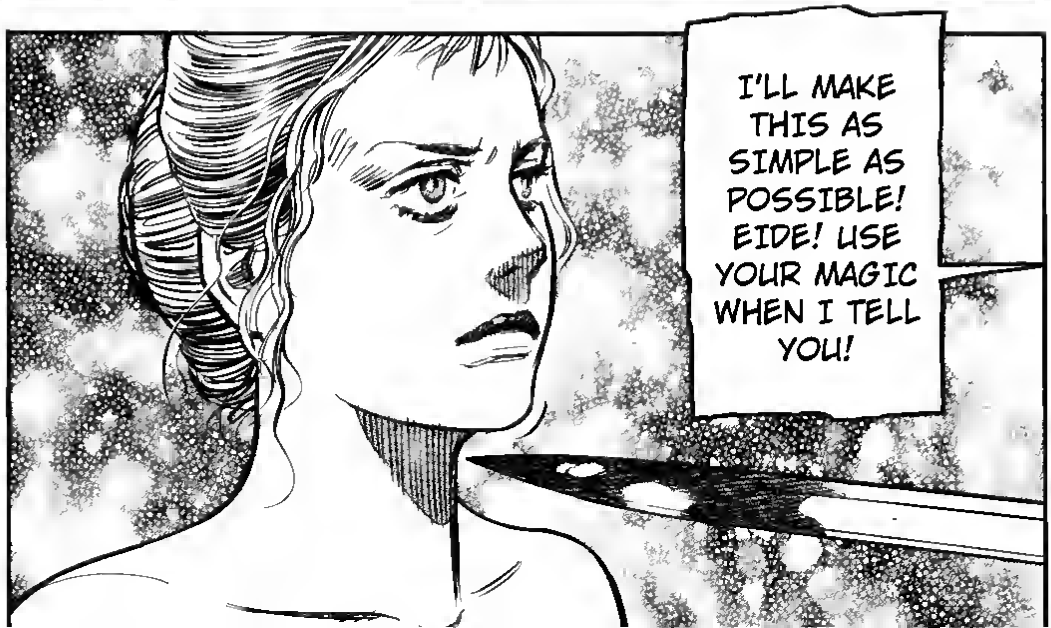
THAT'S GOOD... SLOWLY...


I'LL MAKE THIS AS SIMPLE AS POSSIBLE! EIDE! USE YOUR MAGIC WHEN I TELL YOU!

DON'T
...
HAA...
NELEH!

HAA...NO ...THIS ISN'T RIGHT...
AH...MY BODY FEELS LIKE IT'S MELTING AWAY, LITTLE BY LITTLE I'M GOING TO DISAPPEAR...
NELEH, LISTEN!
I DIDN'T EXPECT OWEN TO TAKE HELEN HOSTAGE!

I AM AFRAID THE FUTURE THAT IS MEANT TO BE MAY NOT EXIST. IF OWEN IS SUCCESSFUL... PERHAPS NELEH WILL CEASE TO EXIST!
HELEN IS THE KEY TO IT ALL!
OR MAYBE THIS IS A NECESSARY SEQUENCE OF EVENTS FOR NELEH TO EXIST. I DON'T KNOW. I GUESS WE'LL FIND OUT...
NELEH...WILL I CONTINUE TO EXIST? NO! AM I GOING TO DISAPPEAR!?

DON'T ACT RASHLY!
TSK! LET ME KILL THIS GUY!
I WANT YOU TO REMEMBER THE BEST YOU CAN! DON'T GIVE UP. DOING SO WILL MAKE YOU DISAPPEAR! EVEN EVERYONE'S MEMORY OF NELEH WILL DISAPPEAR!
NELEH! LISTEN TO ME!
THINK HARD! WHAT HAPPENED NEXT? CAN YOU SEE FROM HELEN'S EYES?

I LOOKED INCREDIBLY YOUNG AS I LOOKED AT MYSELF FROM THOSE EYES...BUT AS SOON AS I DID I PANICKED...
I SAW MYSELF COLLAPSE ON THE GROUND, POWERLESS... SHE TRIED TO SAY SOMETHING, WHAT WAS IT? THEN I HEARD IT...
HELEN...

I REACHED OUT AND GRABBED WHAT WAS IN FRONT OF ME...
SUDDENLY, A VAGUE IDEA INSTANTA-NEOUSLY APPEARED IN FRONT OF ME...
NO...

NO
!!!

NO! THIS CAN'T BE! HOW COULD SHE! SHE...

AH... HAHAHA.. YOU MESSED UP... OWEN..

AH... AHHH ...

WHY DID SHE...

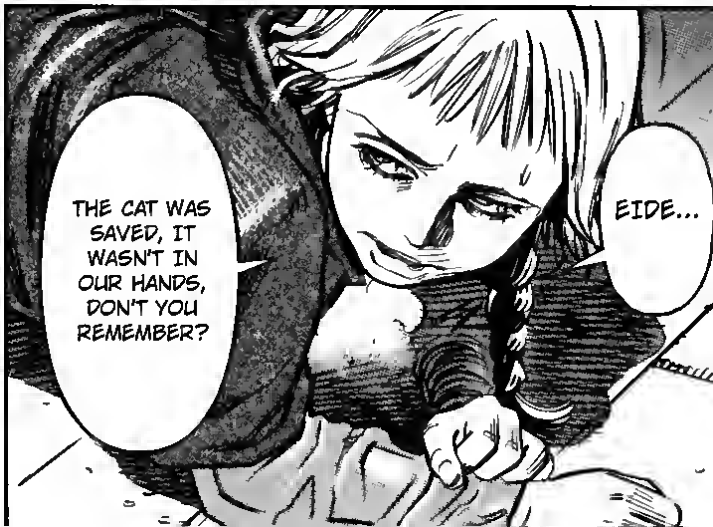
HELEN'S DEAD...
THIS IS THE END OF MY MEMORIES...
HELEN... WHAT SHOULD I DO?
IF I SAVE HELEN, WILL NELEH STOP DISAPPEARING? IS THIS FATED TO HAPPEN? IF I INTERVENE AND CHANGE HISTORY, WHAT WILL HAPPEN?
DAMN IT! I DON'T KNOW HOW TO MAKE NELEH NORMAL AGAIN! I DON'T KNOW HOW TO CHANGE THIS SITUATION!

I DON'T HAVE MUCH MEMORY OF IT...BUT THE EXPLANATION WAS SUFFICIENT ENOUGH...
EXACTLY HOW DO I DO THIS, HOW DO I RATIONALIZE IT ALL?

I CAN'T SAVE NELEH AND HELEN WHILE BOTH OF THEM ARE HERE! IT'S INEVITABLE THAT ONE WILL THEM MUST DISAPPEAR, WHY DOES THIS HAVE TO BE? I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO...

OLDMAN! AREN'T YOU GOING TO SAVE HELEN?

...
WHAT?


THE CAT WAS SAVED, IT WASN'T IN OUR HANDS, DON'T YOU REMEMBER?
EIDE...

THE CAT WAS SAVED, IT WASN'T IN OUR HANDS!
IT APPEARED BEFORE IN AN EARLIER LOCATION...

AN IMAGE OF THE LOCATION OF THE CAT'S REBIRTH CAME TO ME WHEN YOU SAVED REBECCA...
IS THERE A TIME DIF-FERENCE!?

TO BRING THE DEAD BACK TO LIFE, I THOUGHT YOU HAD TO USE MORE ENERGY IF THEY HAD BEEN DEAD LONGER...
WHETHER THE CAT WAS BORN AGAIN WHEN I RESCUED REBECCA, IN FACT, THE EXACT TIME OF DEATH IS EQUIVALENT TO THE ENERGY OF TIME WHEN MY MAGIC WAS USED...
TIME OF DEATH
WHERE DOES THE TIME AND ENERGY BETWEEN THE TIME OF DEATH GO?
HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO WHAT I REMEMBER THE BUTTERY FLY SAID ABOUT THE "THE LAW OF CONSERVATION OF ENERGY" I THINK...THEN...
I FORGOT THAT IMPORTANT KEY PHRASE...
IS THE ANSWER THAT THE TIME DIFFERENCE GENERATES EXCESS ENERGY? THE CAT AT THAT POINT IN TIME, IT WASN'T IN OUR HANDS!

THE PERFORMER WILL GATHER THEIR OWN ENERGY OVER THE YEARS, TRANSFERRING IT...IS SUBJECT TO THE ABILITY YOU HAVE TO CONTROL TIME.

ONCE IN USE, REMEMBER "THE LAW OF CONSERVATION OF ENERGY" AND THAT TIME MAGIC MUST USE AN EQUIVALENT EXCHANGE OF MAGIC...IF YOU USE TOO MUCH TIME MAGIC, IT WILL GENERATE A TIME REFLUX...

THE CAT DISAPPEARED IN OUR HANDS, ITS REBIRTH WAS IN THE PAST...AS LONG AS I'M ABLE TO GIVE HELEN ENOUGH TIME ENERGY, A YOUNG HELEN WILL APPEAR IN THE PAST, RIGHT?

NOW I HAVE MUCH ENERGY... BUT HOW MUCH? THREE DECADES? IS THAT ENOUGH?
IF I USE MY MAGIC I CAN GIVE HER FIFTEEN YEARS OF YOUTH, WITH THE REST HOW MUCH TIME REFLUX WILL BE GENERATED?
IN ANY CASE, IT'S THE ONLY CHANCE...

I MUST SEND A YOUNGER VERSION OF HELEN BACK TO THE PAST!!!

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AH! THERE'S ONLY ONE CHAPTER LEFT, AND THE ENDING HAS ME TITLING MY HEAD A LITTLE. ANY WAY'S AFTER I FINISH OLDMAN I'LL BE DOING BABY, ANOTHER ONE OF CHANG SHENG'S WORK. I HOPE YOU CHECK IT OUT WHEN I GET THE FIRST CHAPTER DONE. SEE YOU NEXT TIME.

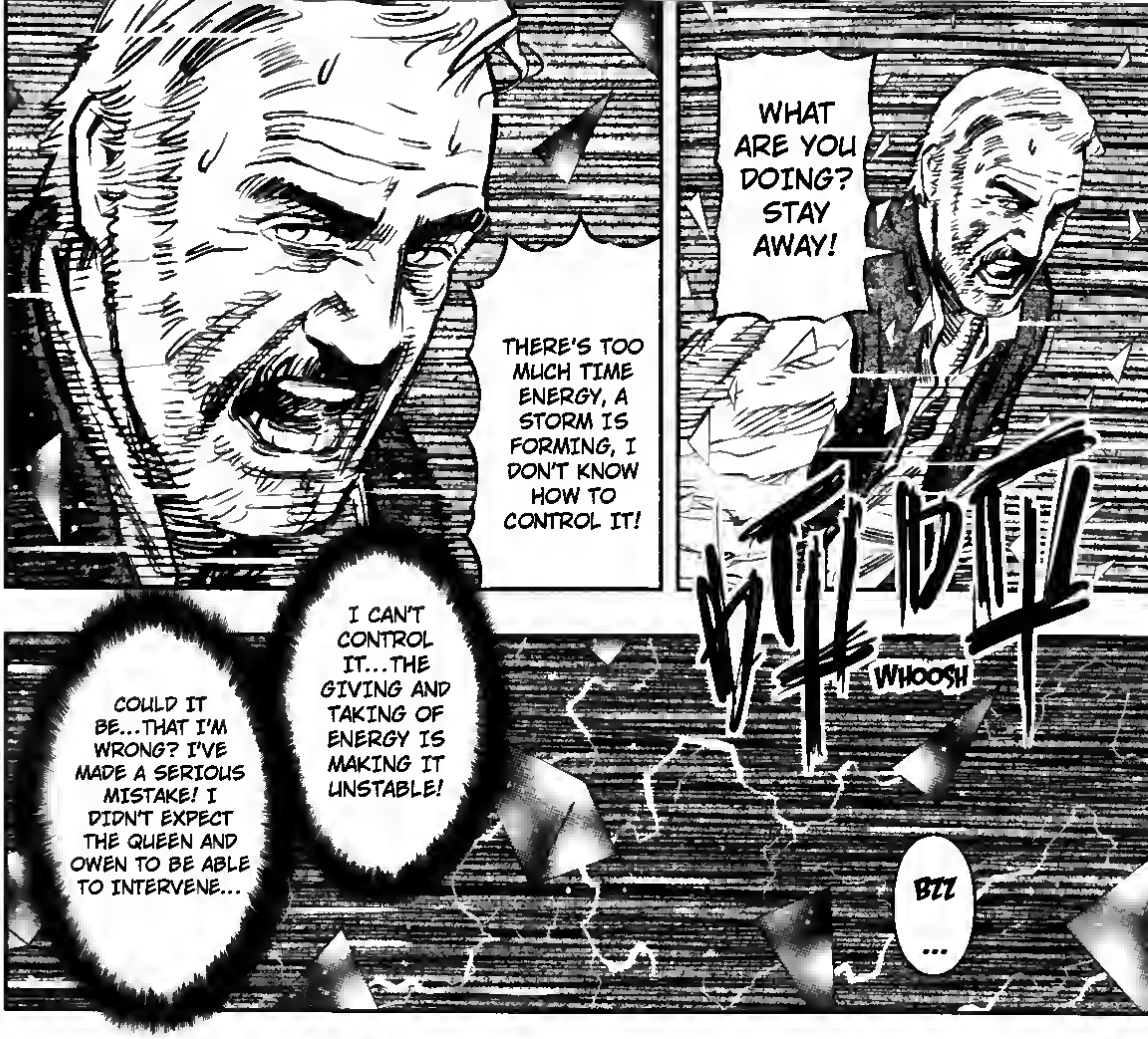
NOW...HOW MUCH TIME ENERGY IS AVAILABLE? THREE DECADES? IS THAT ENOUGH? IF I GIVE FIFTEEN YEARS OF YOUTH TO HELEN, HOW MUCH TIME REFLUX WILL THE REST OF THE ENERGY CAUSE?

OLD MAN!!

NO MATTER WHAT, THIS IS THE ONLY CHANCE!
THREE DECADES OF TIME ENERGY, IT WILL WAKE UP THE DEAD HELEN! LET TIME MAKE HELEN YOUNG ONCE AGAIN, LET IT TAKE HER BACK TO THE POINT OF REBIRTH!
SWOOSH

WHOOSH
SO THIS IS TIME MAGIC!?
TIME... MAGIC...
THAT MAGIC... IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE FOR ME...

GIVE IT ALL TO ME... I AM THE OLD QUEEN NO LONGER!
AHHAHA... SO MUCH... WITH ALL OF THIS I CAN BECOME YOUNG AGAIN...
SWOOSH
OWEN! HANDS OFF... IT'S ALL MINE...
GIVE IT...
EH!? OLD WOMAN! WHAT DO YOU WANT?
THEY ARE .....


WHAT ARE YOU DOING? STAY AWAY!
THERE'S TOO MUCH TIME ENERGY, A STORM IS FORMING, I DON'T KNOW HOW TO CONTROL IT!
WHOOSH
I CAN'T CONTROL IT...THE GIVING AND TAKING OF ENERGY IS MAKING IT UNSTABLE!
COULD IT BE...THAT I'M WRONG? I'VE MADE A SERIOUS MISTAKE! I DIDN'T EXPECT THE QUEEN AND OWEN TO BE ABLE TO INTERVENE...
BZZ
...

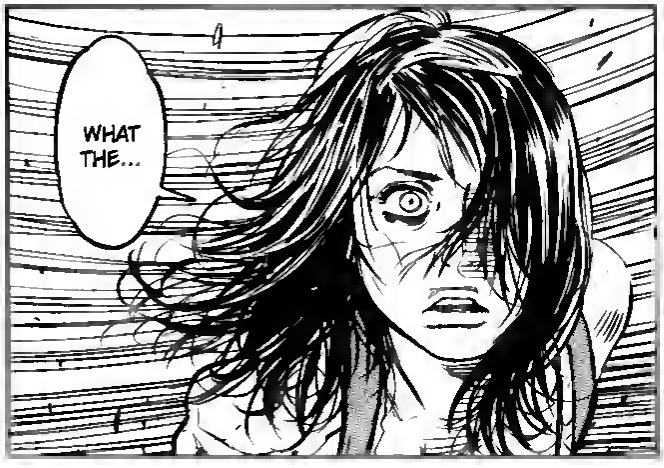
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!? IT'S ALL HERE!

CHAPTER 22
LOOK FOR ME IN THE NEAR PAST

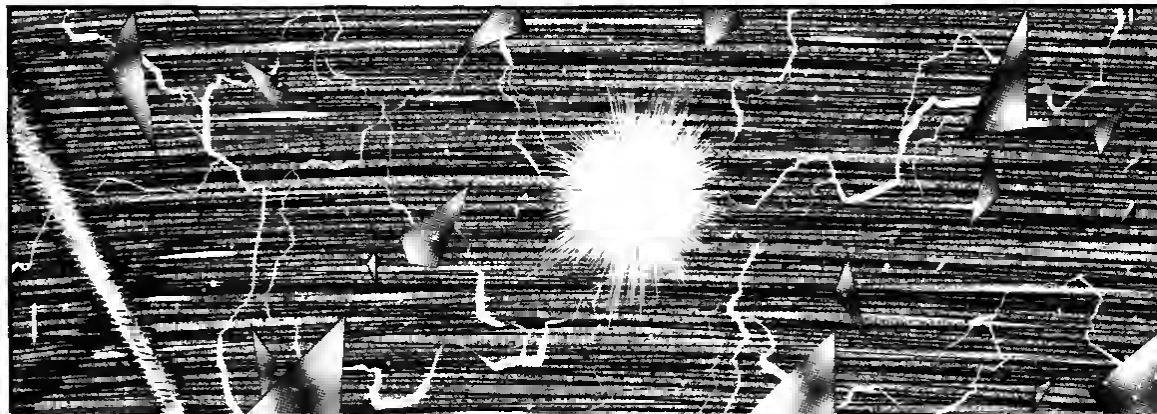
STOP IT...UGH! HOW ARE YOU DOING THIS? LIKE THIS?
ALL OF THIS IS MINE!
SWOOSH
AH...I DON'T KNOW!
THIS STORM, WHAT THE HELL'S HAPPEN-ING?
AHH HHH ...

WHOOSH
RIGHT NOW, THE CONSTANT GIVING AND TAKING IS CAUSING IT TO CHANGE SHAPE!
BECAUSE THE QUEEN RUSHED INTO IT, IT'S CAUSING UNPREDICTABLE DISCHARGES! THE STORM IS GROWING...
WHAT'S HAPPENING IS TOTALLY BEYOND MY CONTROL! IN THE END, WHAT WILL HAPPEN?
BZZ
...

SWOOSH


WHAT THE...

GOOD GOD! THIS STORM IS GETTING OUT OF CONTROL, AHHH...



WHOOSH!

AHH
H...
SWOOSH
WHOOSH

SHE'S GONE...

THIS PLACE ...
WHY... AM I HERE?

HELEN, YOU WILL BE LEAVING! BELIEVE ME WHEN I TELL YOU THIS...ONE DAY YOU WILL FIND YOURSELF IN THE PAST, YOU MUST PRETEND TO BE SOMEONE ELSE!
WHAT TIME IS IT? I MUST HURRY AND FIND THAT MAN...
BILLY OLDMAN!

DID THE STORM STOP? IS THE TIME MAGIC OVER?
...W-WHAT HAPPENED? WHERE DID HELEN GO?
HAA...

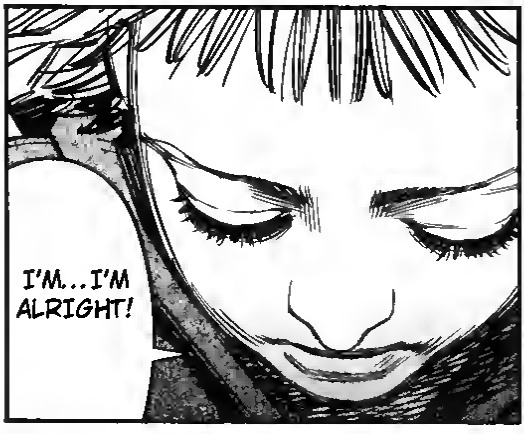
AHHH...

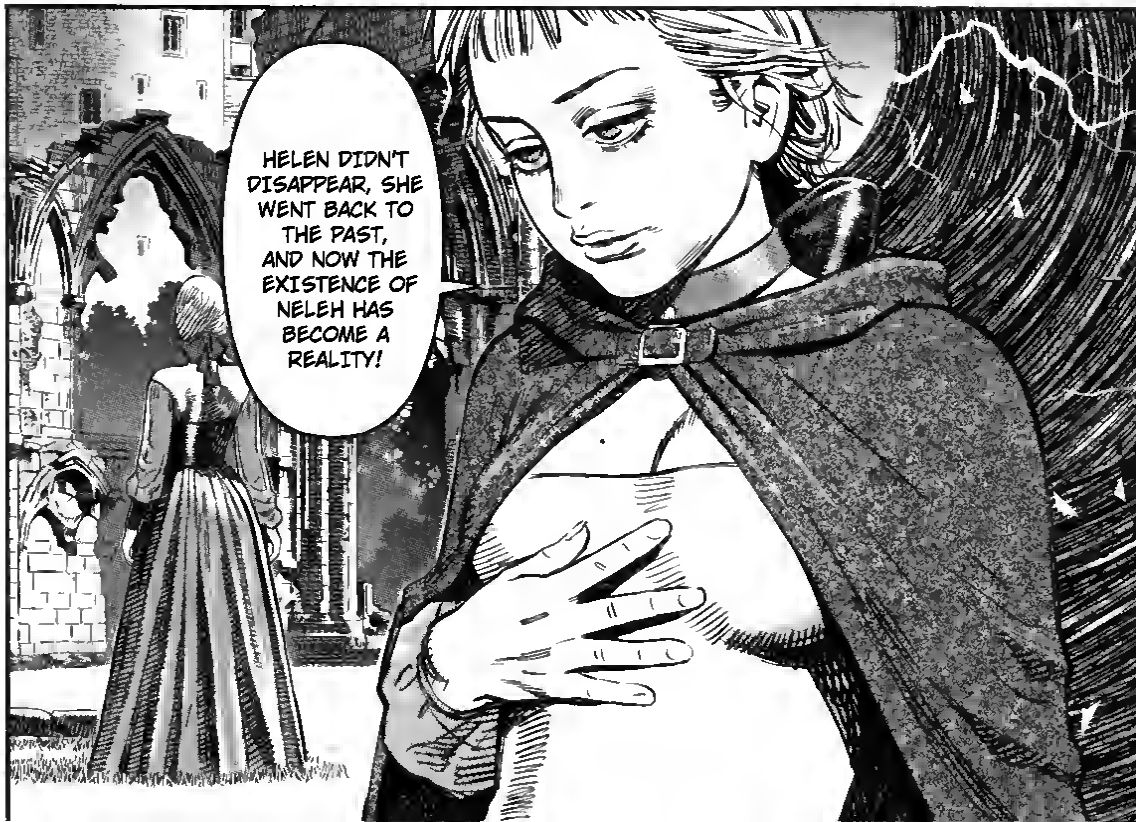
...I'M NOT SURE...

AH... AHHAHA... THE YOUTH ...I'VE GOT IT!

HA! WHAT ARE YOU SAYING... I FEEL GREAT! I'VE GOT MY YOUTH BACK! YOUR JEALOUS, ISN'T THAT IT?
GOD...YOU LOOK WORSE THAN BEFORE!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? DON'T COME CLOSER!
I AM STILL THE QUEEN, I THINK!
HMM...YOU ARE OWEN! YOU'VE LOST QUITE THE BIT OF WEIGHT! EVERYWHERE EXCEPT YOUR HEAD!
SHE SEEMS COMPLETELY CRAZY!

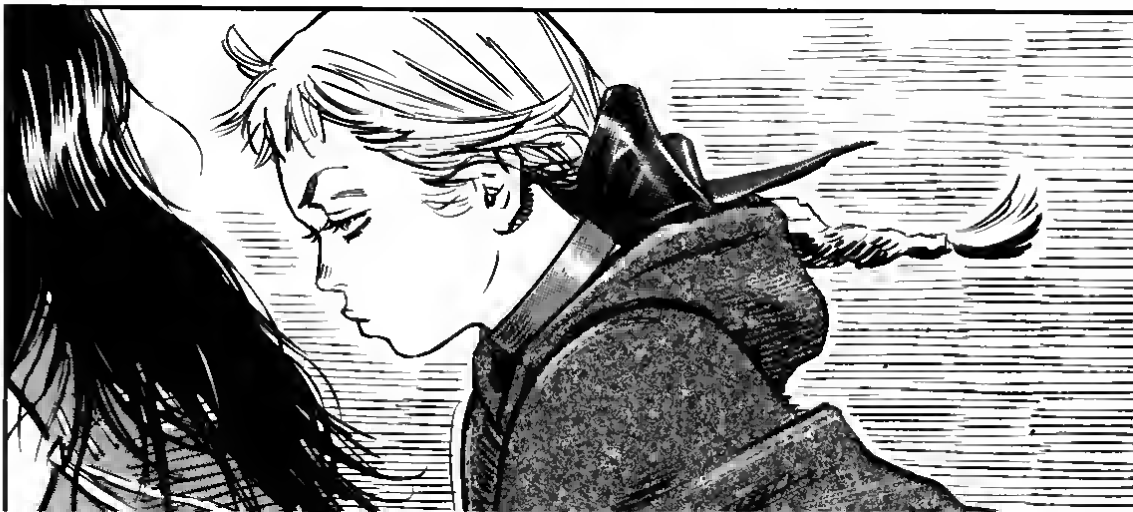
NELEH
...


I'M...I'M
ALRIGHT!

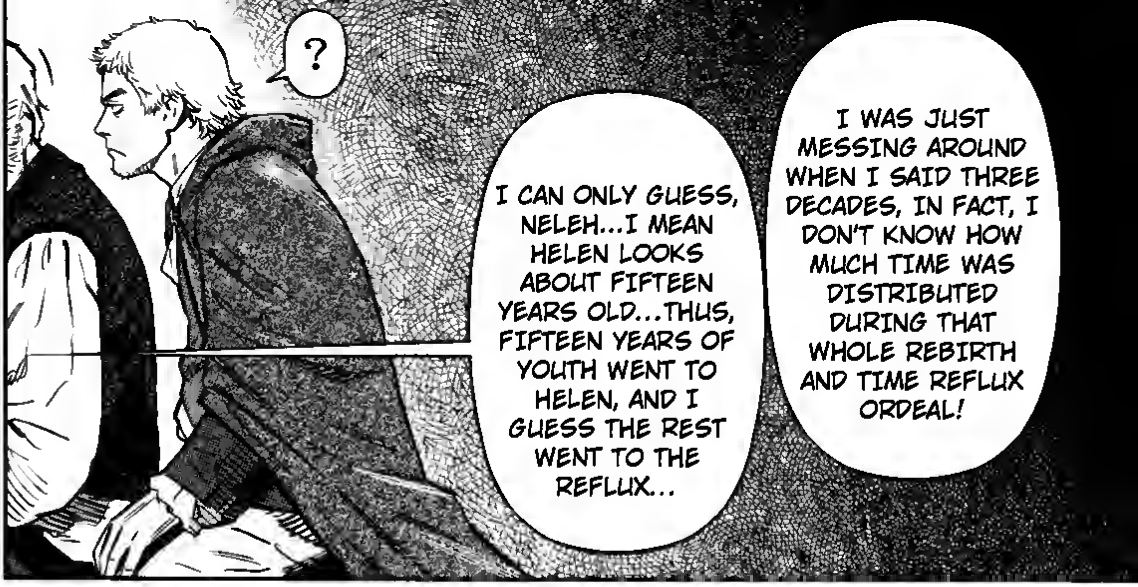

HELEN DIDN'T DISAPPEAR, SHE WENT BACK TO THE PAST, AND NOW THE EXISTENCE OF NELEH HAS BECOME A REALITY!

WAIT...ED! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING? DID I GET MY YOUTH OR NOT? WHY DON'T I FEEL ANY DIFFERENT RIGHT NOW?
COME ON... LET'S GO!
IF YOU DARE TO SEND ANY TROOPS AFTER US, I SWEAR I'LL COME BACK AND KILL YOU! YOUR MAJESTY...

CLIP
CLOP
CLIP
...



HEY! CAN YOU STOP? IT'S ALL OVER NOW, YOU CAN STOP BEING ANGRY! OR ISN'T IT OVER YET? IS THAT WHY YOU LOOK SO UNHAPPY?
NO... I JUST... WANT TO LIVE, OLDMAN MANAGED TO LOSE THREE DECADES OF HIS LIFE...
BUT WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD FOR US, WHAT WILL OUR LIVES BECOME? OUR PROBLEMS MAY BE OVER FOR NOW, BUT WE'VE GOT OLDMAN TO DEAL WITH!
ACTUALLY ...
CLOP ...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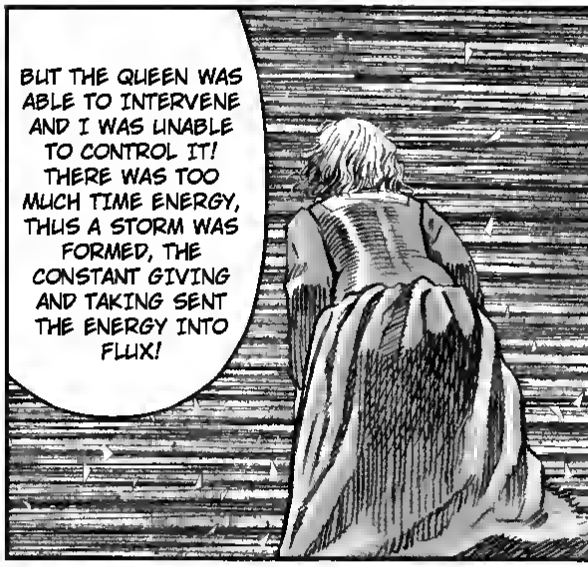
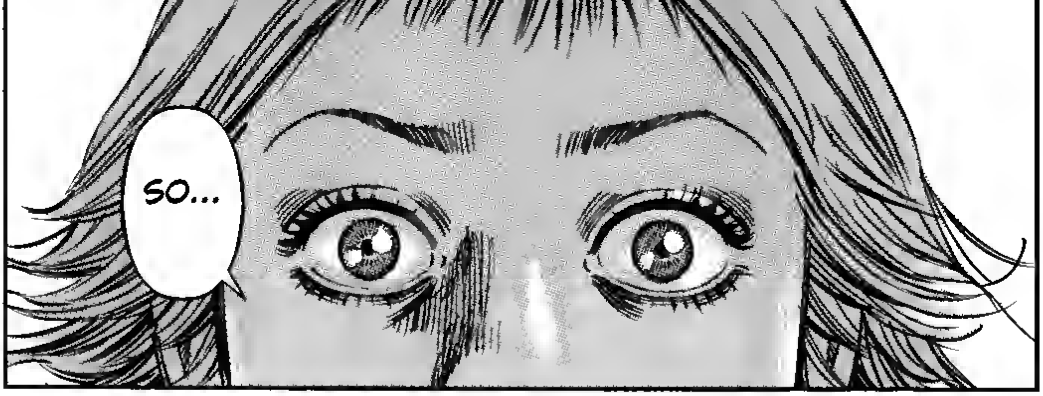
I CAN ONLY GUESS, NELEH...I MEAN HELEN LOOKS ABOUT FIFTEEN YEARS OLD...THUS, FIFTEEN YEARS OF YOUTH WENT TO HELEN, AND I GUESS THE REST WENT TO THE REFLUX...
I WAS JUST MESSING AROUND WHEN I SAID THREE DECADES, IN FACT, I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH TIME WAS DISTRIBUTED DURING THAT WHOLE REBIRTH AND TIME REFLUX ORDEAL!

THEN I SAW SOMETHING. SOMETHING WHICH SEEMED LIKE A PASSAGE OF TIME IN THE STORM... NATURALLY I GOT CURIOUS. I WONDER WHAT WAS ON THE OTHER SIDE? WHAT WOULD THAT WORLD LOOK LIKE?


BUT THE QUEEN WAS ABLE TO INTERVENE AND I WAS UNABLE TO CONTROL IT! THERE WAS TOO MUCH TIME ENERGY, THUS A STORM WAS FORMED, THE CONSTANT GIVING AND TAKING SENT THE ENERGY INTO FLUX!

FACTORING IN THAT THE QUEEN INTERVENED, WOULDN'T YOU SAY THAT IT WAS A NECESSARY FACTOR IN HELEN'S REBIRTH?
ALL OF THIS IS BEYOND OUR SCOPE OF UNDER-STANDING... THOUGH...WHO WOULD WANT TO MESS AROUND WITH TIME?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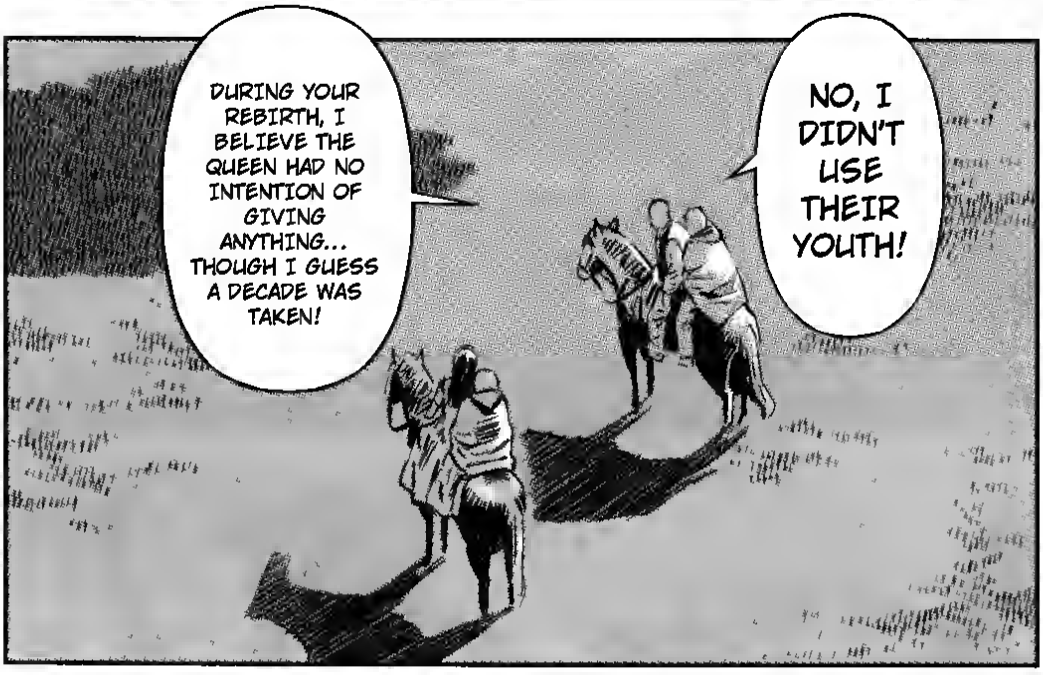
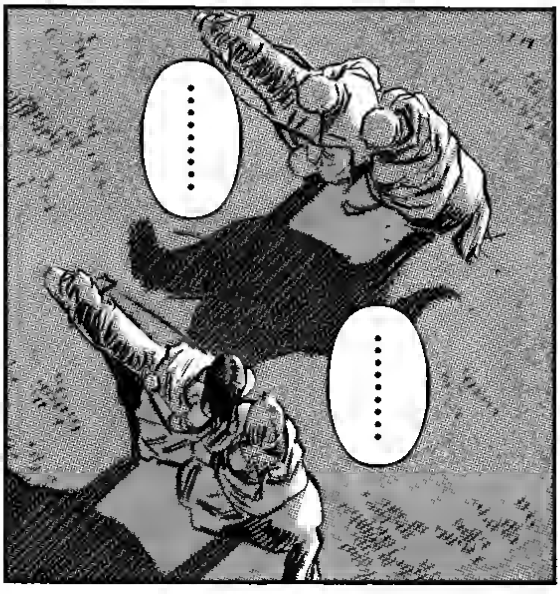

DURING YOUR REBIRTH, I BELIEVE THE QUEEN HAD NO INTENTION OF GIVING ANYTHING... THOUGH I GUESS A DECADE WAS TAKEN!
NO, I DIDN'T USE THEIR YOUTH!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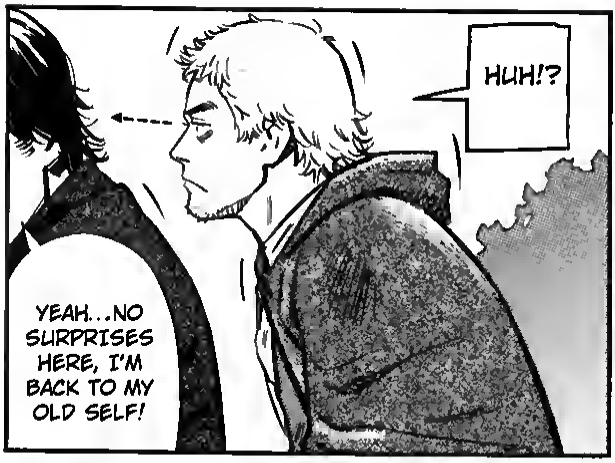
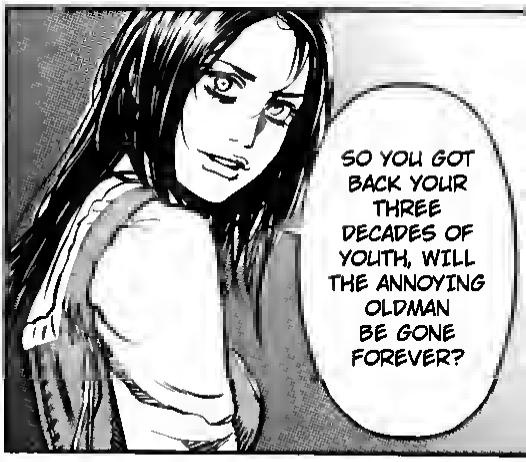
DIDN'T THE QUEEN ORIGINALLY TAKE THREE DECADES FROM YOU? SHE GAVE A DECADE, AND THE REMAINING TWO DECADES...

HAHA HA...HA HAHA...
SIGH ...
AH...HA HAHAHA ...


HUH!?
YEAH...NO SURPRISES HERE, I'M BACK TO MY OLD SELF!

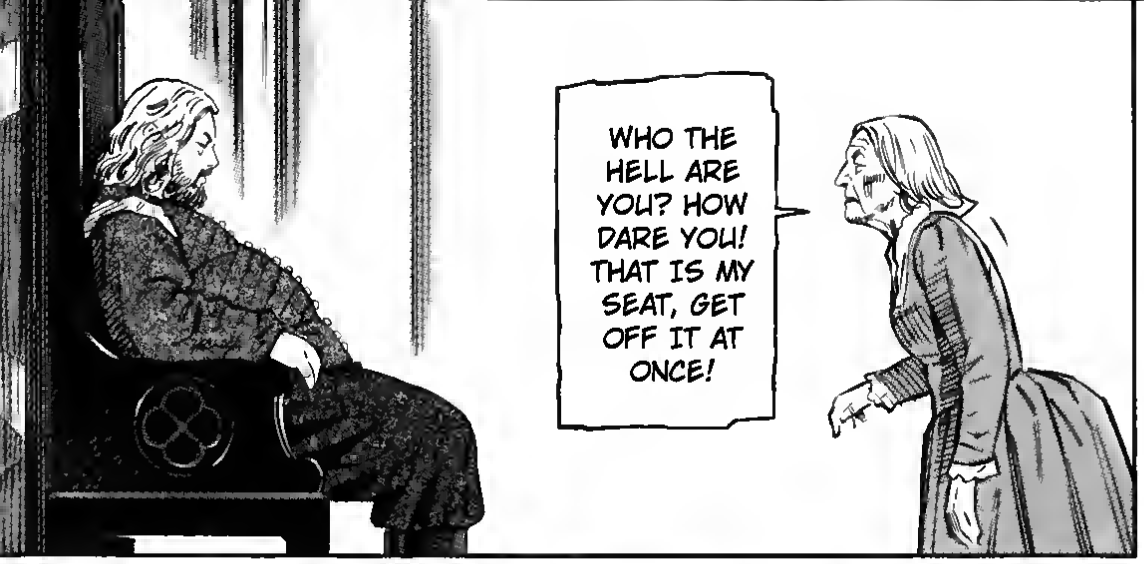

SO YOU GOT BACK YOUR THREE DECADES OF YOUTH, WILL THE ANNOYING OLDMAN BE GONE FOREVER?

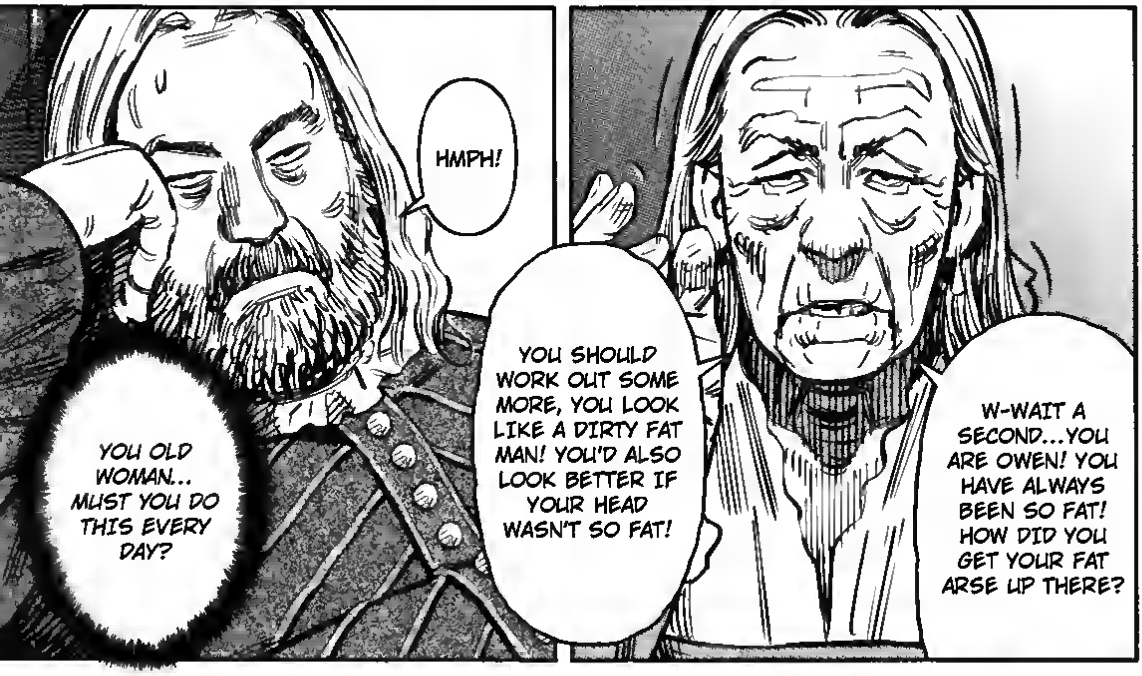
... W-WHERE DID THE OLDMAN GO?
WHO ARE YOU!?

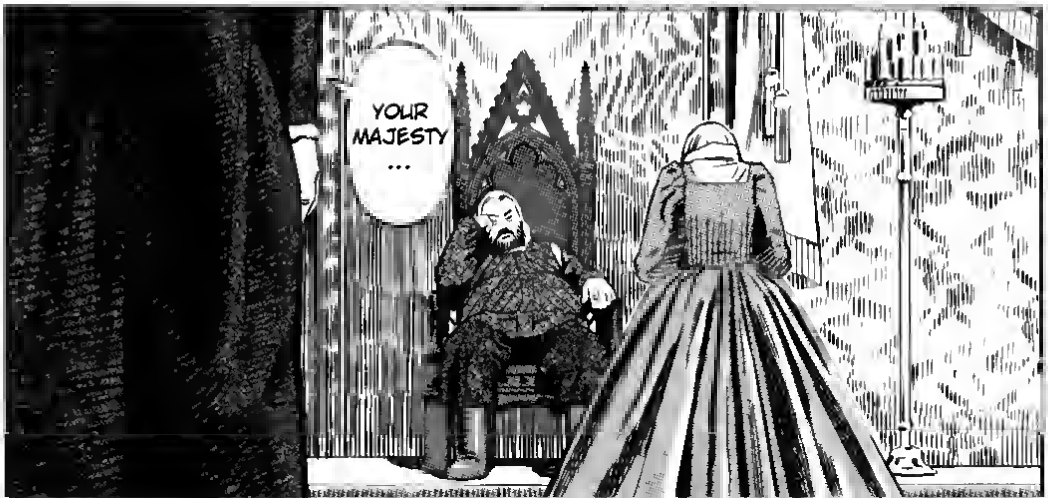
AHH HHH ...

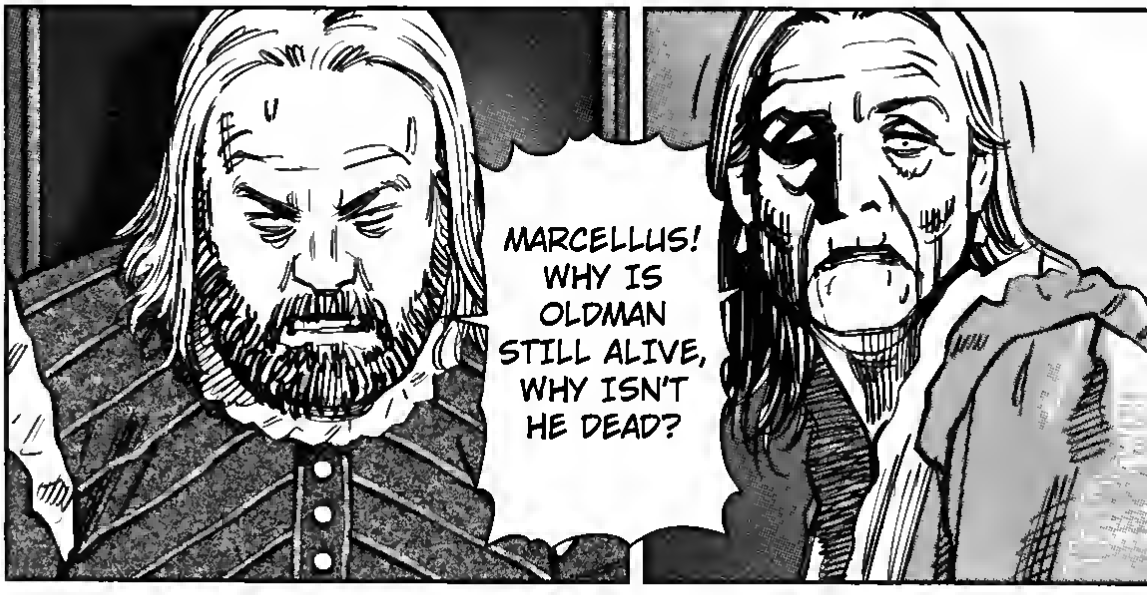
I GUESS THIS IS OUR FIRST MEETING? I'M EIDE!

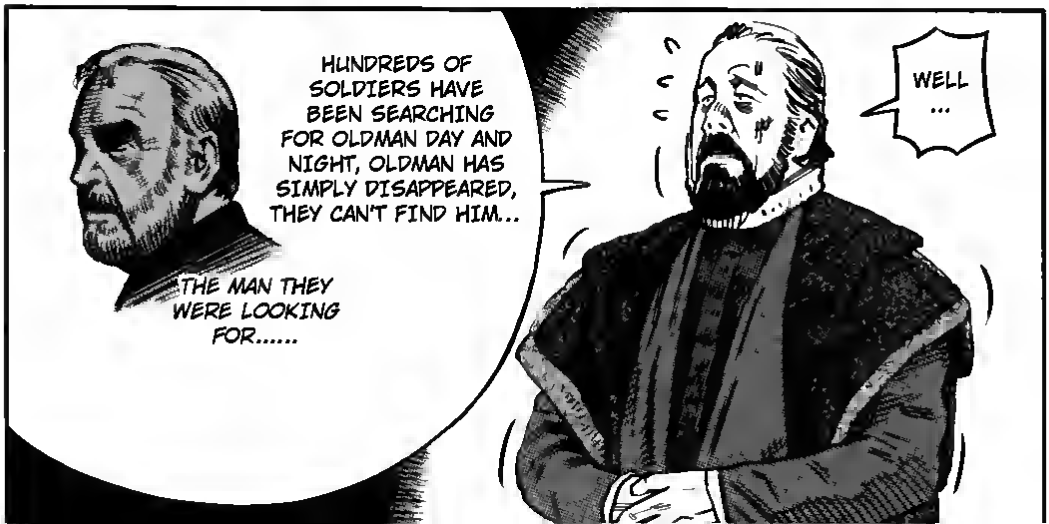
WHY DID THIS HAVE TO HAPPEN?


WHO THE HELL ARE YOU? HOW DARE YOU! THAT IS MY SEAT, GET OFF IT AT ONCE!

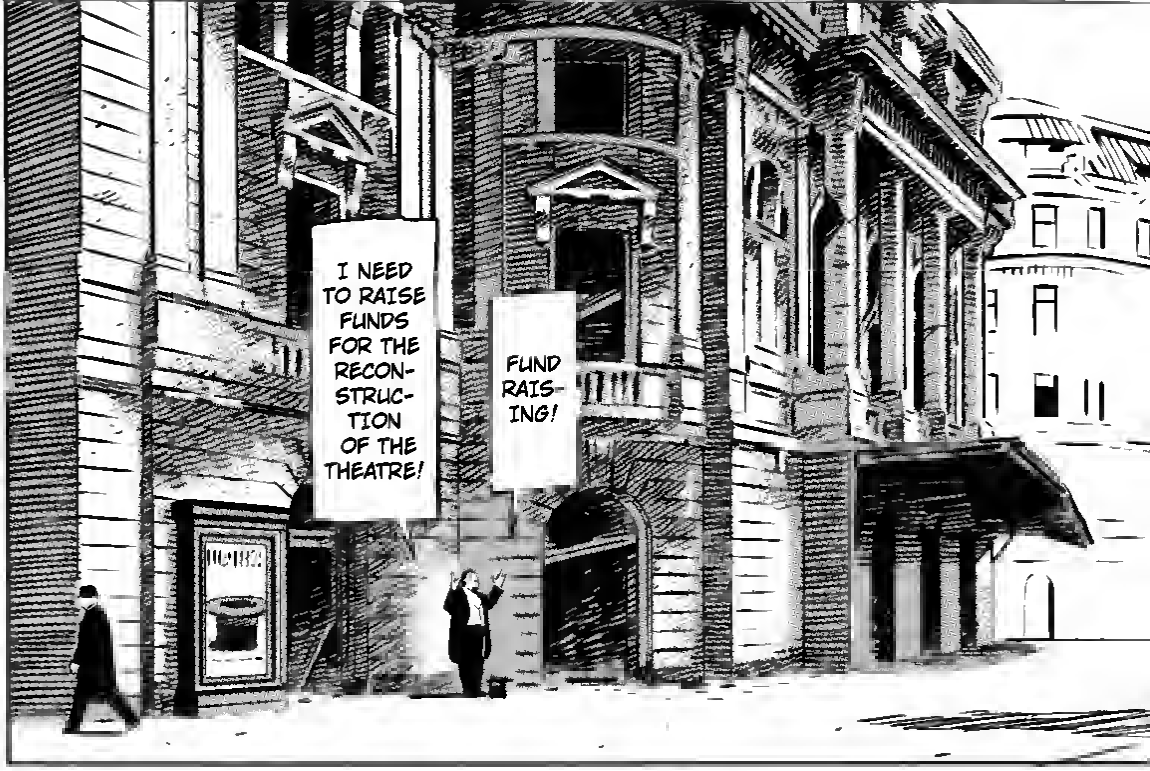

HMPH!
YOU OLD WOMAN... MUST YOU DO THIS EVERY DAY?
YOU SHOULD WORK OUT SOME MORE, YOU LOOK LIKE A DIRTY FAT MAN! YOU'D ALSO LOOK BETTER IF YOUR HEAD WASN'T SO FAT!
W-WAIT A SECOND...YOU ARE OWEN! YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN SO FAT! HOW DID YOU GET YOUR FAT ARSE UP THERE?

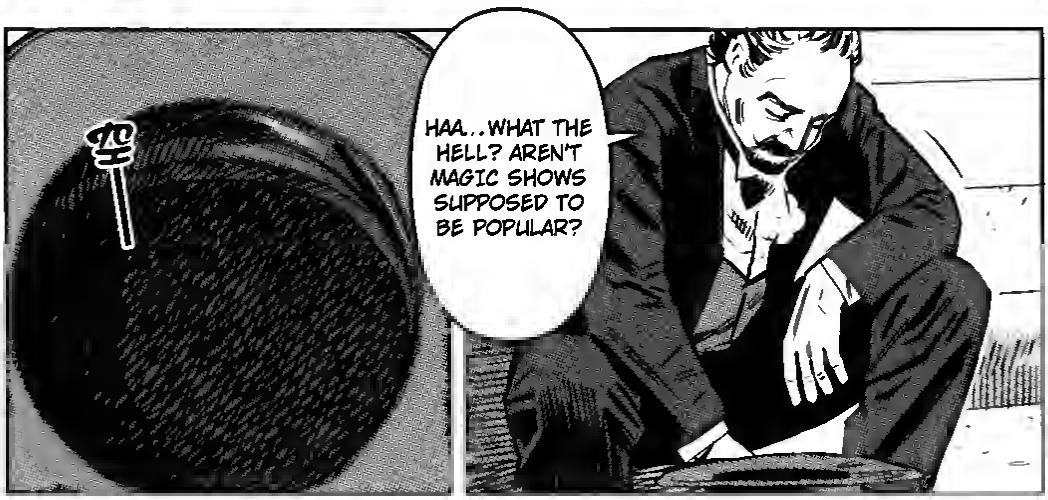

YOUR MAJESTY ...


MARCELLUS! WHY IS OLDMAN STILL ALIVE, WHY ISN'T HE DEAD?


WELL ...
HUNDREDS OF SOLDIERS HAVE BEEN SEARCHING FOR OLDMAN DAY AND NIGHT, OLDMAN HAS SIMPLY DISAPPEARED, THEY CAN'T FIND HIM...
THE MAN THEY WERE LOOKING FOR.....

OLD MAN?
THE MAN YOU ARE LOOKING FOR IS CALLED EIDE!
+1
OH, SOMEONE ELSE... WHO IS THIS EIDE?
YOU ARE AN IDIOT!!!
EIDE, JUST YOU WAIT! I WON'T LET YOU GET AWAY WITH THIS!

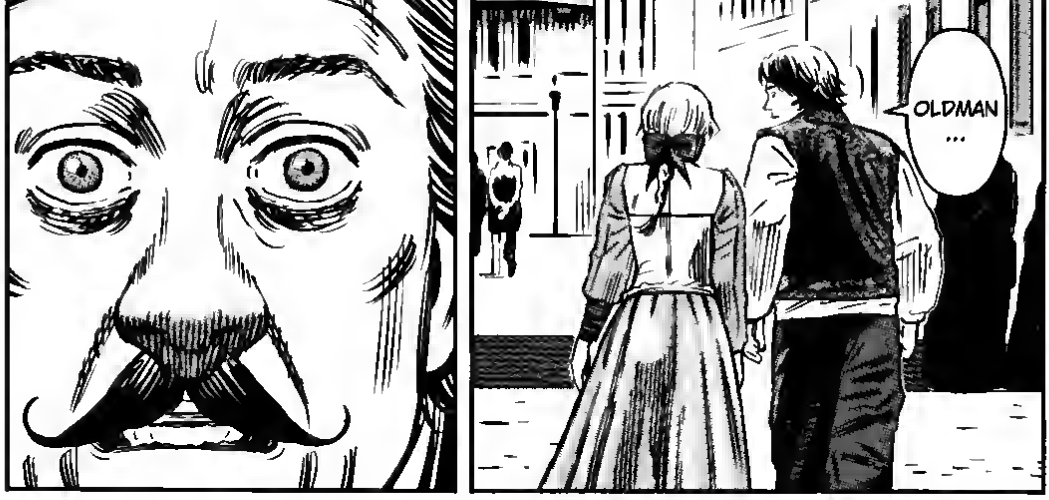

I NEED TO RAISE FUNDS FOR THE RECON-STRUC-TION OF THE THEATRE!
FUND RAIS-ING!


HAA..WHAT THE HELL? AREN'T MAGIC SHOWS SUPPOSED TO BE POPULAR?

AH...MY HEAD HURTS! DON'T SAY THAT AGAIN! I STILL HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN HOW YOU THREW THEM AWAY!
WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO? AFTER WE USED OUR GEMS FROM THE PALACE, WE HAVE NOTHING LEFT...

HUH!? THIS IS...

WAIT A SECOND! WHO ARE YOU?
YOU...
TAKE THESE, RECON-STRUCT YOUR THEATRE!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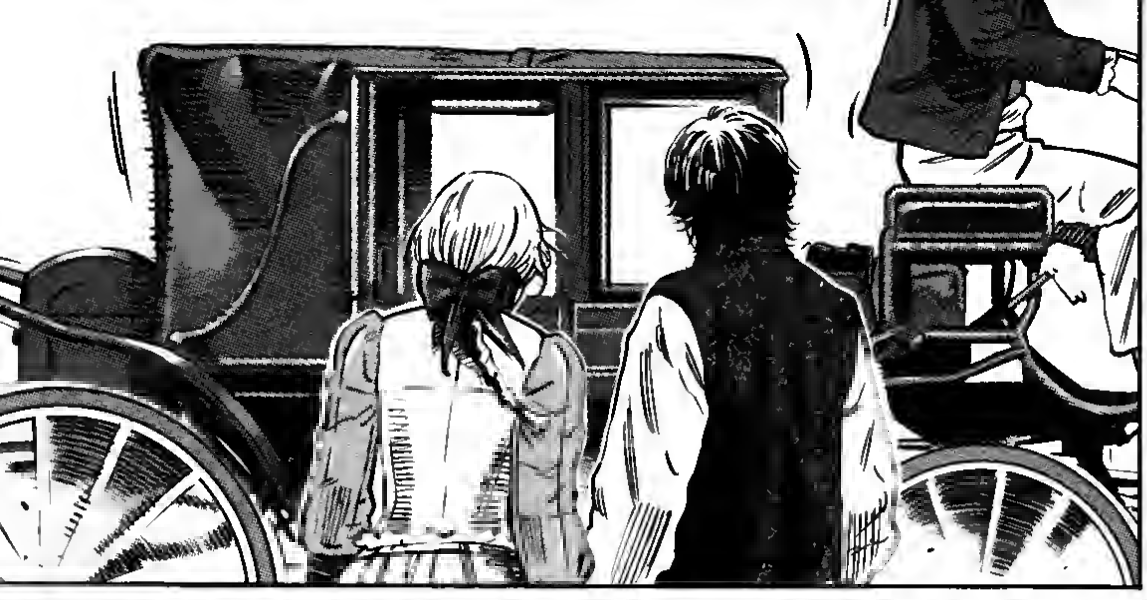


YOU WON'T BELIEVE IT, HUNDREDS OF SOLDIERS ARE RIGHT BEHIND US!

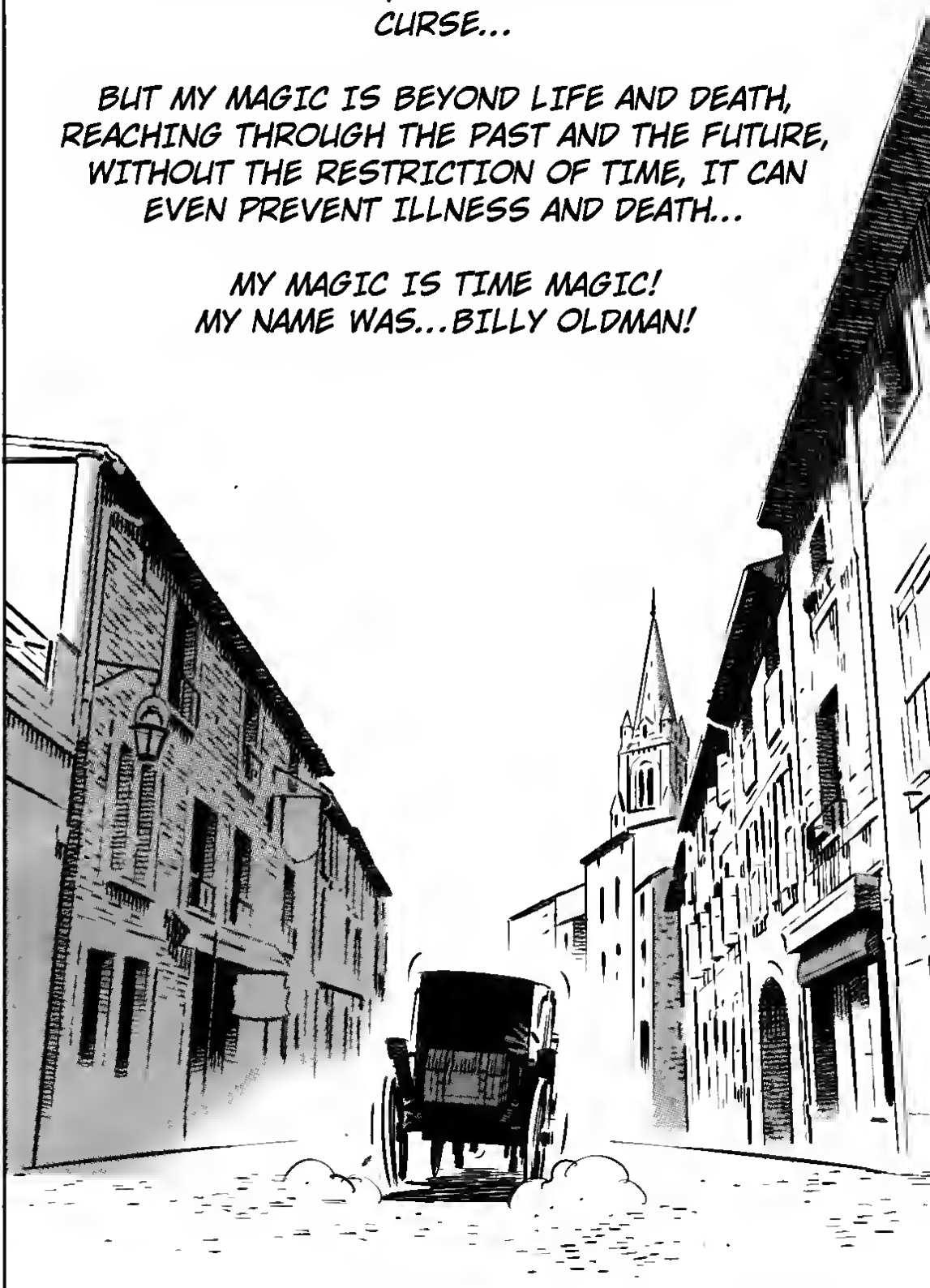
GET ON!

YAH ...

I GREW UP WITH A NATURAL TALENT FOR MAGIC...SOMEHOW, IT FOLLOWED ME LIKE A CURSE...

BUT MY MAGIC IS BEYOND LIFE AND DEATH, REACHING THROUGH THE PAST AND THE FUTURE, WITHOUT THE RESTRICTION OF TIME, IT CAN EVEN PREVENT ILLNESS AND DEATH...

MY MAGIC IS TIME MAGIC!
MY NAME WAS...BILLY OLDMAN!



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